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S.C. DISMISSES PLEA TO STAY SALE OF ELECTORAL BONDS

The plea was moved by the Association for Democratic Reforms alleging lack of transparency in funding of political parties

'NO EVIDENCE OF ADVERSE IMPACT ON POLLS'

The NGO had claimed that the sale of electoral bonds before the Assembly elections would "increase illicit funding of political parties through shell companies". Dismissing the plea, a bench headed by Chief Justice S A Bobde said there is no evidence that electoral bonds will adversely impact elections. The SC said fresh electoral bonds can be issued from April 1

TRANSACTIONS VIA BANKING CHANNELS

- "The purchase as well as encashment of the bonds, happening only through banking channels, is always reflected in documents that eventually come to the public domain," the order stated
- Donors can buy e-bonds from SBI and donate to political parties, which can encash them through their accounts within 15 days

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IS THE HIGHEST DENOMINATION VALUE OF ELECTORAL BONDS

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'DIDN'T LET STUDENTS LOSE A YEAR'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

MUCH like everything else, the biggest education conclave, ThinkEdu, went virtual this year. Union Minister for Education Ramesh Pokhriyal, in his inaugural address, elaborated on his vision for the National Education Policy and the way ahead. He also spoke about how India was among the very few countries in the world that didn't let students' year go waste.

"Even when the rest of the world had foregone a year, India ensured that its students didn't waste it. Around 33 crore students were given education online. Provisions were made for those who couldn't come online through mediums like radio," said Pokhriyal.

TNIE Editorial Director Prabhu Chawla kicked off the ninth edition of ThinkEdu, saying: "This year, we have brought illuminating discussions and conversations about new ideas from India's finest thinkers — scientists, businessmen and storytellers."

In a different session, Subhash Kak was in conversation with Indic scholar Dushyanth Sridhar and senior journalist Kaveree Bamzai. Kak spoke about how he sifted through various layers of Sanskrit literature to find a lot of subjects, including astronomy, that had been lost for thousands of years. "It opened a whole new horizon to me," he said.

S Vaidhyasubramaniam, Vice-Chancellor, SASTRA Deemed-to-be University was in conversation with Makarand Paranjape, Director, Indian Institute of Advance Study, who spoke about Swami Vivekananda and AI replacing human teaching. "Swamiji is so important because he takes us beyond the idea of education being some sort of livelihood training."

FULL COVERAGE: P7

We successfully conducted JEE and NEET amid the pandemic, which are the country's largest competitive exams - Ramesh Pokhriyal, Union education minister

Mistry's ouster from Tata Sons kosher, says SC

Upholds group's decision to sack him as chairman; sets aside Dec 2019 NCLAT order

KANU SARDA @ New Delhi

IN a huge win for Tata Sons, the Supreme Court on Friday ruled that the ouster of former Tata Sons executive chairman Cyrus Mistry was legal, setting aside a 2019 National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) order that directed his reinstatement.

A three-judge bench led by Chief Justice S A Bobde said, "There was no oppression of the minority shareholder (Mistry). There was no mismanagement by Tata Sons."

The apex court, however, added it was open for Tata and Mistry to work out their terms of separation.

The court answered all the legal questions arising out of this dispute in favour of Tata Sons, bringing an end to one of the biggest corporate battles in recent times. "If someone, aggrieved after his removal from office can engage in shadow-boxing through the companies controlled by him, he cannot accuse the very same person who chose him as successor to be a shadow director. Someone who gained entry through the very same door, cannot condemn it when asked to exit," the 282-page judgment read.

Cyrus Mistry

Ratan Tata

Welcoming the verdict, Ratan Tata said the order validated the values and ethics that had always guided the Tata Group. "It is not an issue of winning or losing. After relentless attacks on my integrity and the ethical conduct of the group, the judgment upholding Tata Sons is a validation or the values and ethics that have always been the guiding principles of the group. It reinforces the fairness and justice displayed by our judiciary," he said in a statement.

The ruling came on a plea that challenged the December 18, 2019 NCLAT order which reinstated Shapoorji Pallonji Group scion Cyrus Mistry as the executive chairman of Tata Sons.

The Tata-Mistry dispute began when Mistry, who succeeded Ratan Tata in 2012, was ousted four years later.

'FAIR COMPENSATION' NOT ADJUDICATED

The bench refused to entertain Cyrus Pallonji Mistry's plea for fair compensation for his 18.5% stake in Tata Sons saying "the valuation of the shares of SP Group depends upon the value of the stake of Tata Sons in listed equities, unlisted equities, immovable assets etc... Therefore, we cannot adjudicate on the fair compensation" | P13

Firefighters attempt to douse a blaze at Dreams Mall, affecting patients admitted in the nearby Covid-19 dedicated Sunrise Hospital, in Mumbai, early on Friday | PTI

10 perish in Mumbai Covid hospital fire

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mumbai

AT least 10 coronavirus patients died and several others were injured in a major fire at Sunrise Hospital in Mumbai on Friday. The hospital is situated on the top floor of Dreams Mall at Mulund. According to the BMC, the blaze was noticed around midnight on Thursday on the first floor, and it quickly spread to the upper floors.

Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray visited the spot and ordered an inquiry. Thackeray apologised for the incident and said the guilty won't be spared.

"In view of the rising Covid-19 cases, permission was given to start new Covid treatment centres or hospitals in Mumbai. It seems there were lapses in fire safety," he said

Thackeray also announced ₹5 lakh as financial help to the families of the deceased.

Congress minister Aslam Sheikh said he was surprised to see a hospital inside the mall. "The Dreams Mall itself has not even got the occupation certificate (OC). Then how was the hospital set up inside the mall? Strict action will be taken against the guilty," he added.

Modi announces scholarship on Day 1 of Bangladesh visit

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Friday began his two-day trip to Bangladesh by hailing the contributions of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and the Indian armed forces in Bangladesh's war of liberation.

"Bangabandhu gave up his life for the people of Bangladesh. Today, on the 50th anniversary of Bangladesh's independence and Bangabandhu's birth centenary celebrations, I remember and salute his contribution and the contributions of the Indian armed forces, *mukti jodhas* in Bangladesh's war of independence," Modi said at the National Day celebrations of Bangladesh in Dhaka.

Saying that India and Bangladesh's future together has a lot in store, he said it is important that New Delhi and Dhaka progress together. "The youth of both the countries need to be connected for better ties. I hence announce the setting up of *suvarna jayanti* scholarships for Bangladeshi students and also invite 50 entrepreneurs of Bangladesh to visit India," he said.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Earlier, Modi presented the Gandhi Peace Prize 2020, awarded posthumously to Mujib, to Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. Modi also recalled how he had participated in Bangladesh's struggle for independence by holding a *satyagraha*.

Meanwhile, a protest by a mob against Modi's trip got violent, leaving four persons dead with bullet injuries. P9

Prime Minister Narendra Modi handing over the Gandhi Peace Prize conferred upon Mujibur Rahman, to his daughters Sheikh Rehana (L) and PM Sheikh Hasina, in Dhaka on Friday

Ramesh Jarkiholi

FIR against Jarkiholi after woman files case

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

IN a major twist to the sleaze CD row, the Cubbon Park police on Friday booked former minister Ramesh Jarkiholi for sexual harassment, based on a written complaint by the woman, who is believed to be seen in the video.

Jarkiholi has been charged under Sections 376C (sexual intercourse by person in authority), 354A (sexual harassment), 504 (intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of peace), 506 (criminal intimidation), 417 (cheating) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), and Section 67A (punishment for publishing or transmitting of material containing sexually explicit act, etc., in electronic form) of the Information Technology Act. All the sections invoked are non-bailable.

A senior police officer from the Special Investigation Team (SIT) said the First Information Report (FIR) has been registered and the case has been transferred to SIT. "We have issued a sixth notice to the woman through her lawyer who filed a case on her behalf, and she has to appear before the investigation officer to take further legal course," the officer said.

A few hours before the FIR was registered, the woman released a third video statement alleging that Ramesh Jarkiholi was behind the CD and that she would file a case against him, claiming to be a victim in the case. P4

EXPRESS READ

Bharat bandh: Roads blocked in Punjab

New Delhi/Chandigarh: Road and rail traffic was disrupted in several parts of Punjab and Haryana during the Bharat bandh called by farmers on Friday as part of their protest against the three laws, though there was partial response to it in other parts of the country. The Samkyukta Kisan Morcha claimed that shutdown was observed in many parts of the country. P10

President admitted to Army hospital

New Delhi: President Ram Nath Kovind is undergoing check-up at the Army's Research and Referral hospital here after complaining of chest discomfort on Friday morning, the hospital said. "President of India visited Army Hospital (R&R) following chest discomfort this morning. He is undergoing routine check-up and is under observation," the hospital added.

WHERE THE STATES STAND

R-Naught reported in the country over a two-day period

AS ON MARCH 23

Maharashtra	1.59
Kerala	0.86
Karnataka	1.65
Andhra Pradesh	1.56
Tamil Nadu	1.44
Delhi	1.52
Uttar Pradesh	1.83
Bihar	1.68
Punjab	1.52
Telangana	1.39
Gujarat	1.61
NATIONAL	1.51

AS ON MARCH 24

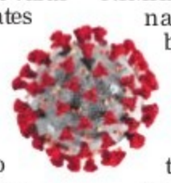
Maharashtra	1.59
Chhattisgarh	1.98
Karnataka	1.66
Uttar Pradesh	1.90
Haryana	1.66
Delhi	1.60
Madhya Pradesh	1.63
Rajasthan	1.59
Andhra Pradesh	1.59
Punjab	1.53
NATIONAL	1.53

Source: covid19india.org

Covid infection rate higher in K'taka than national average

CHETANA BELAGERE @ Bengaluru

WITH the number of daily new Covid-19 cases increasing every day, the infection rate in Karnataka has edged past the national figure. The R-Naught (R-0) value, which represents the average number of people that a single infected person can transmit that disease to, stands at 1.66 for the state as of March 24, while the national figure is 1.53. The R-Naught value has crossed the 1 mark in 19 states across the country.



Epidemiologists and virologists now fear that second coronavirus surge could be worse than the first and stress that the government needs to pay immediate attention to containment measures. The case fatality rate too may see a rise because of the burden on the health care system with rising cases, they add.

Dr Giridhara Babu, Professor of Epidemiology at the Public Health Foundation of India and member of the Covid Techincal Advisory Committee explained, "An R-0 of 1.65 means that for every 10 people infected, a further 16.5 will be infected by them. This is not a good situation to be in."

Experts say there are many reasons for this surge. While some point out that there have been significant changes in the virus itself, with data showing the growing presence of more infectious strains, others argue that people not following Covid-appropriate behaviour is the main reason.

However, renowned virologist Dr V Ravi, who is the nodal officer for genome sequencing of SARS-CoV-2 at NIMHANS, and is part of the international scientific advisory board for Russia's Sputnik vaccine, says the data available is not enough to say that the rise in cases is due to the "double mutation variant" and refers to a "variant of concern". Even a study, published recently by NIMHANS in the scientific journal MedRxiv, found four major SARS-CoV-2 variants circulating in Bengaluru. Of them, the B.1.36 variant has the highest prevalence, he pointed out. "The variant was seen in 45 per cent of the swab samples which NIMHANS subjected to genomic sequencing. The B.1.36 type cannot be called a variant yet, as its significance is yet to be studied," Dr Ravi, who spearheaded the study, said. P3

Gratuity should be paid in 30 days: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

IT is not necessary that employers wait till an employee files an application for release of gratuity amount. It should be done immediately within 30 days after the cessation of a person's employment, the Karnataka High Court has ruled.

Referring to Section 7(2) of The Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972, the court noted that an employer is under obligation to settle the gratuity dues within 30 days of the end of service, whether or not an employee files an application. Justice Nagaprasanna also noted that interest should be paid if there be any delay in the payment.

DETAILS | P2

WRITER

ANIL DHARKER PASSES AWAY

The noted journalist and author died in Mumbai on Friday. He was 74. Over a five-decade-long career, Dharker was columnist, writer, architect, and a member of the advisory committee of film Censor Board.

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WEATHER

MIN 19°C | MAX 35°C

FORECAST Mostly cloudy

Sunrise 6.19 am
Sunset 6.31 pm
Moonrise 5.20 pm
Moonset 5.12 am

CHILDREN MAY GET MIDDAY MEAL DURING VACATION

Permission sought to extend scheme beyond April 10, edu dept waits for Centre's nod

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA
@Bengaluru

KARNATAKA'S education department is batting for an extension of the midday meal scheme through the summer holidays for more than 55 lakh students. They comprise nearly 90 per cent of the 61.24 lakh students enrolled in Classes 1 to 10 in state board schools.

A large number of these beneficiaries are from government lower primary and higher primary schools.

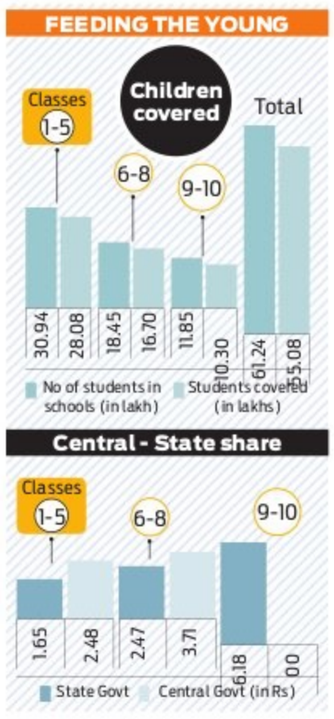
The department has already sought permission from the Government of India (GoI) to extend the programme beyond the designated tenure of April 10. "A substantial amount for the scheme comes from the Central government for beneficiaries till Class 8. We are requesting the GoI to extend it till May. We are yet to receive a reply," a top department official told *The New Indian Express*.

The cost of 60 per cent of the food and transportation is covered by the Central government, for students till Class 8. The State government foots the bill for the remaining 40 per cent of the food cost, besides the entire cost of food and transportation for students of Classes 9 and 10.

On an average, the State and Centre incur a cost of Rs 4.13 per day per student of Classes 1 to 5, and Rs 6.18 per day per student of Classes 6 to 10, who require higher nutritional intake. Part of the expenditure is rice, dal, vegetables, oil, salt, (cooking) fuel and condiments. Ever since the Unlock phases began, post lockdown, the government resorted to supplying dry ration kits to students.

After the high court's intervention, the government had to clear its 108-day backlog of pending midday meals that were to be given to students, but were denied to them in June and July 2020, and August to October 2020.

Dry ration kits worth Rs 4.97 per student per day are being given to students of Classes 1 to 5 and kits worth Rs 7.45 per student per day to students of Classes 6 to 10.



SPORTSMAN SPIRIT

Participants at the 19th National Para Athletics Championship help each other move their wheelchairs at Sree Kanteerava Stadium. Friday marked the end of the competition that began on March 24 | VINOD KUMAR T | REPORT P15

Metro gets ₹3.7K cr loan from Japan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

JAPAN International Cooperation Agency (JICA), an administrative institution under the Government of Japan, will be providing a loan of Rs 3,717 crore for Phase-II of Bengaluru Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL).

An official release said the amount was being provided for the development of 80 km of Metro rail network covering R6 (Nagawara - Gottigere), Phase 2A (Silk Board - K R. Puram) and Phase 2B (K R Puram - Kempegowda International Airport Terminal).

The Japanese ODA Loan Agreement was signed between Additional Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance C S Mohapatra and Chief Representative of JICA India Matsumoto Katsuo on Friday.

Addl Secretary, Dept of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance C S Mohapatra and Chief Representative of JICA India Matsumoto Katsuoy sign the agreement

Asked about the funds, BMRCL Managing Director Ajay Seth said, "The loan's full amount has been signed. However, it will become effective only after the approval of Phase 2A and 2B. The agreement covers Reach-6 of Phase 2 also. This will fund Rolling Stock and signalling."

Speaking on the occasion, Katsuo said, "Bengaluru ranks second in CO2 emissions followed by Delhi in 2015 and the project is expected to contribute to an estimated annual reduction of 89,952 tonnes of CO2 greenhouse gas emissions approximately by year 2031."

Demand rises for home care services

IFFATH FATHIMA @Bengaluru

WITH the second wave setting in, hospitals in the city are seeing a rise in demand for home care services, and these facilities have also increased their capacity to accommodate the requests.

Mahesh Joshi, Chief Executive Officer, Apollo Homecare, said, "In January and February, we saw just two or three Covid-positive patients requesting home care services. But in the last two weeks, over 100 patients have opted for the service. Many patients complained that beds were not available at hospitals and asked for home isolation service. Also, as majority of the patients suffered mild symptoms, they are comfortable with home care services. We have even ramped up the capacity to assist the surge by creating a dynamic model and increasing manpower."

Dr Joshi said there has been a demand from patients seeking home care packages for post-Covid complications also. "Such issues include long-term breathing problems or muscular pain. Many don't want to visit hospitals fearing a Covid infection. Even for non-Covid patients, the OPD consultation has come down by 40-50 per cent, and it hasn't increased much since then," he added.

Dr Aravinda G M, Consultant - Internal Medicine, Manipal Hospitals, Jayanagar, said that people seem to be fairly aware that a second wave of the virus is already here. "At Manipal Hospitals too, we saw a 10 per cent rise in demand for home care services from Covid patients," he added.

EXPRESS READ

KIA user development fee to remain for 6 months

BENGALURU: The Airports Economic Regulatory Authority of India (AERA) has decided to continue with the existing User Development Fee (UDF) being levied at the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) for another six months. An order issued by AERA said this was an interim arrangement.At present, airport operator Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) charges domestic flyers ₹184 and international flyers ₹839 as UDF fee, said an official spokesperson. The six-month period specified by AERA covers April 1, 2021 to September 30, 2021. Hyderabad, Cochin and Chandigarh are among the 11 airports that will be covered under this order. BIAL had levied an increased fee of Rs 5 from June 1, 2020, over the previous Domestic UDF fee and Rs 77 over the earlier international fee. **ENS**

MUCH-NEEDED RELIEF

Employers need not wait for gratuity applications: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court on Friday said that gratuity will have to be paid to an employee immediately on cessation of employment, and observed that the payment will not depend on the employee filing an application with the employer demanding gratuity.

Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order while dismissing a petition filed by Varma Industrial Pvt Ltd (VIPL) and IBC Knowledge Park Pvt Ltd (IKPL) based in the city.

"In my considered view, the Payment of Gratuity Act nowhere casts an obligation that gratuity should be paid to an employee seeking such gratuity. Section 7(2) of the Act clearly mandates that whether the application for gratuity is filed by an employee or not, the employer is under obligation to settle it within 30 days of cessation of service of the employee," Justice Nagaprasanna said, noting that interest should be paid if there be any delay in the payment.

The judge noted that the petitioners' claim that gratuity becomes payable to an employee only on an application being made to the employer is a figment of imagination.

The petitioners moved the court questioning the order passed by the Labour Officer, directing VIPL to pay interest and IKPL to pay gratuity.

The order was passed in favour of P N Janakiram Shetty, who retired from Varma Industrial Pvt Ltd upon superannuation on October 20, 2002, after rendering about 31 years of service, by which time, he joined IKPL as a fresh candidate and worked till 2015.

After completing services in both the firms, Shetty submitted a representation demanding payment of gratuity amount from VIPL, and though subsequently it same was paid, the interest for the delayed payment was not.

Therefore, he approached the Labour Officer, who directed both the firms to pay Rs 3.94 lakh, along with 10 per cent interest. The firms moved the High Court against this order.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

27th March: I was re-reading a theory the other day in which a major scientist was arguing that the universe evolves through 'natural selection', exactly like plants and animals. According to this version, some stars 'eat' others and only the strongest, fittest survive. Yes, it's a jungle out there in space!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You may have to cope with unexpected financial demands. If past circumstances seem to be repeating themselves, life is due to be easier than last time. Though, when somebody close to you decides you're due for some criticism, you might have to bite your tongue.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
The Moon's fresh challenge indicates that you must accept help from wherever it comes. In fact, you should take good notice of everything that people say, improving your act for the future. If you're still uncertain about a few key decisions, give it a few days.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
The emphasis is on work, so if you're at home there should be plenty to keep you busy. Even leisure activities should be just that - active. The best relationships are based on joint interests rather than raw passion, so you need to stay alert to a partner's needs.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
If it's love you're interested in, you may have to travel. Talk about your feelings and make sure others know how you feel about them. At home, you may follow the lead set by a child or younger relative. They could suggest a straightforward approach you're looking for.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
If others are unable to reach an agreement, there seems to be no point in arguing the toss. Better to realise that associates and loved ones must be allowed to go their own way. If they know what's good for them they'll come back to the negotiating table in good time.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You are probably well-prepared for anything which may come up, and in any case friends will come to your aid. Today's lunar alignments favour short journeys and serious discussions. You may also have to choose between one family engagement and another.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
All those current challenging celestial aspects will enable you to force intensely personal issues out into the open, and you may dig as far into the past as you wish. If you're working, by the way, your thoughts must focus on ways to make conditions more pleasant.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You can take the initiative today, putting your foot down at home and determining the pace in affairs of the heart. Financially, keep your outlay down to a reasonable level. And be ready for long-distance news. It might be just what you need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Your current emotional tactics have served you well in the past, but a new romantic campaign requires a more sensitive approach. Perfect old-fashioned manners and courtesy will assist your cause. Above all, you need to show that you care - and mean it!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Now's your chance to prove how well-informed and on-the-ball you are. When it comes to planning your family future, your ideas may be less definite than other people's. And, if you're attributing blame or praise for the past, you should try to pick the right targets.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
You may be too insecure or pre-occupied with important changes at work to bother with personal details. However, the best way to relax today could be with a spot of 'shopping therapy', spending a little of your hard-earned cash on whatever you fancy!

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You have every reason to have faith in the future, and make a bid for the moral high ground. Financial plans may have to be reconsidered, and you may now revive an old commitment, however, expensive. Just make sure that you don't get caught out again.

THE PHANTOM

HI AND LOIS

BEETLE BAILEY

BLONDIE

HOW MANY DAYS LEFT UNTIL CHRISTMAS, MR. B.?
SIX
THAT SEEMS LIKE FOREVER!
NOT IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE ANY OF YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING YET

LOCKHORNS

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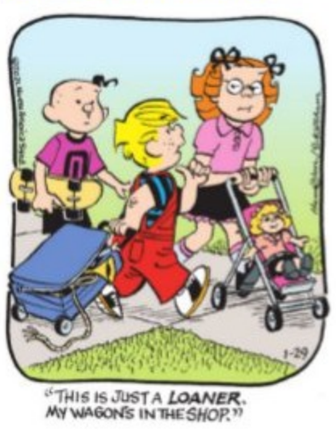

SUDOKU

Medium: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

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Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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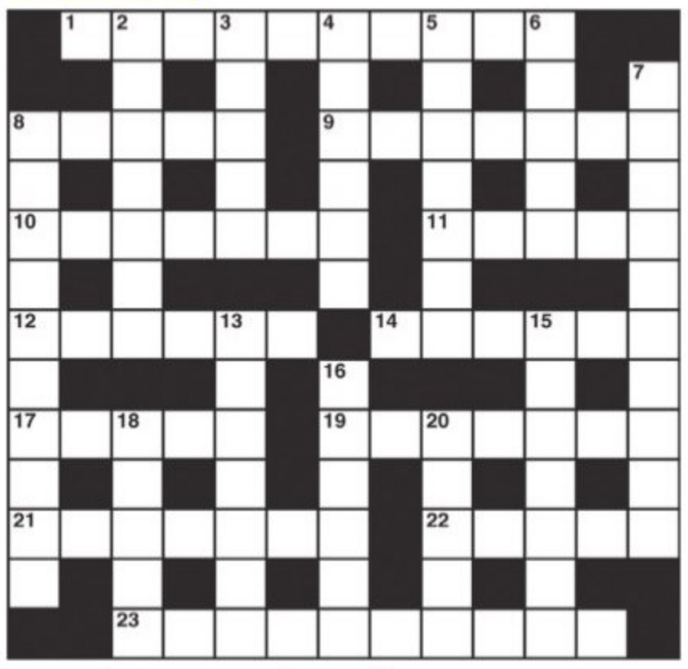

ACROSS

1 Cheer pilot manoeuvring hovercraft (10)
8 State emerging from a tough anagram (5)
9 French friends set out in poor visibility (3,4)
10 Tedious sort of broadcast (7)
11 Waves get bigger (5)
12 One tending to be distant from the rim (6)
14 It acts somehow without moving (6)
17 A long translation into English (5)
19 Giving money perhaps but wary about it (7)
21 A break giving occasion to have food inside (7)
22 Cut round (5)
23 Sound indication that a watch is finished (5,5)

DOWN

2 Once in the theatre he demands his money's worth (7)
3 Question one is on Irish force seen in Baghdad (5)
4 Could be used to put out (6)
5 Start in rebuilt conveyance (7)
6 To produce a piece of opera is easy (5)
7 It is inclined to give emphasis (6,4)
8 Being fit cheers (4,6)
13 Hot evening? (7)
15 Getting only four in a test is unimportant (7)
16 Bill gets little money, resulting in stress (6)
18 A serious plot (5)
20 Set sail on eastern passage (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Flight, 4 Rascal, 9 Collier, 10 Radar, 11 Attic, 12 Pastime, 13 Rest assured, 18 Deposit, 20 Opera, 22 Their, 23 Opiates, 24 Disown, 25 In case.

Down: 1 Facial, 2 Inlet, 3 Haircut, 5 Arras, 6 Codeine, 7 Larder, 8 Proposition, 14 Express, 15 Utopian, 16 Edited, 17 Lassie, 19 Straw, 21 Extra.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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I sure do make this look easy. I'm very good at this. Hey, Parker Solar Probe! Did you see that one?
THE SUN CREATES ERUPTIONS OF MAGNETIC ENERGY WITH EASE BECAUSE THE SUN ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

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ANSWERS TOMORROW

YESTERDAY'S: **Jumbles:** POISE EMPTY DOUBLE UNMASK

ANSWER: They looked at their photos of the NYC New Years Eve ball drop for – OLD TIMES SAKE

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Govt not hiding Covid figures: Sudhakar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

ON the day Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar said the government was not hiding Covid-19 figures and was making all the data public, the state tally climbed to 9,81,044 cases even as the recovery rate continued its downward slide to 96.73 per cent. The number of active cases has now risen to 19,553.

"The Technical Advisory Committee has suggested several precautions. Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa will take decisions in this regard. It is difficult to restrict any activity, but keeping the spread of infection in mind, adequate measures will be initiated," Sudhakar said.

At least 2,566 people tested positive on Friday, including 1,490 people in Bengaluru, taking the city's tally to 4,24,349 cases.

The single-day addition on Friday was way below the whopping 10,947 additions in positive cases that the state saw in a single day on October 7, 2020. There were 13 deaths statewide, which took the death toll up to 12,484.

A road linking Maharashtra and Karnataka being blocked at Chikkodi in Belagavi

However, health officials warn that the second wave could be worse than the first one, due to which the public needs to take utmost care to minimise its impact.

The positivity rate for 24 hours is crossing 2 per cent on a daily basis. On Friday, it was 2.28 per cent, while the total positivity rate stands at 4.69 per cent. The day-wise Case Fatality Rate stood at 0.50 per cent while the total CFR for the state is 1.27 per cent.

Although the state witnessed the highest number of discharged patients (1,207) in the last 12 days since March 15, the recovery rate has kept sliding relentlessly over this period from 97.78 per cent to 96.73 per cent on Friday.

Bengaluru has been driving the surge in numbers and has also witnessed a corresponding consistent slide in its recovery rate from 97.33 per cent March 15 to 95.78 per cent on Friday. The city's mortality rate however, went down a notch on Friday from 1.08 per cent to 1.07 per cent, with the city's death toll standing at 4,572 so far.

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CAUSE FOR WORRY

184 more cases in MIT, total now at 770

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MANIPAL Institute of Techonology in Udupi district that was declared a containment zone by the district administration on March 17 reported 184 more Covid positive cases on Friday, taking the total number of cases in the cluster to 770 since March 15.

Udupi DC G Jagadish told *TNIE* on Friday said, "Apart from isolating the patients who are symptomatic, robust testing was conducted and all 6,000 students have been tested," he said.

Meanwhile, considering the fact that students may have visited the local restaurants, the administration has decided to consider restaurants nearby as buffer zones and the staff in those restaurants will be tested on priority, he said.

Meanwhile, a BCM hostel in Belthangady of Dakshina Kannada district was declared a containment zone after nine of its students tested positive.

WATCH OUT FOR GASTRO SYMPTOMS, IT COULD BE COVID-19, WARN DOCS

Now, nearly 50% of corona patients are reporting loose stools, abdominal discomfort

IFFATH FATHIMA @Bengaluru

THE SARS-CoV-2 virus which causes Covid-19, may have changed tack, causing gastrointestinal symptoms first in many patients, unlike in the past when fever, cough, breathlessness were the primary indicators of the disease.

Although diarrhoea and gastrointestinal (GI) symptoms were seen during the first wave, this time round, the number of patients reporting such complaints is significantly higher, some doctors say. However, others disagree.

"We have come across several patients with symptoms such as loose stools, abdominal discomfort, etc. Earlier, we saw about 2 per cent of Covid patients with GI symptoms, but now the number has gone up to 50 per cent. Recently, it was found that GI symptoms precede respiratory symptoms. Covid-19 must be suspected in such cases," said Dr Bindumath P L, senior consultant for internal medicine at Aster CMI Hospital.

People being tested at random in Bengaluru on Friday | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

When Covid-19 broke out, it was considered a disease that primarily affected the lungs. But, in the past year, doctors the world over have reported that it affects a range of organs including the digestive system. A study done in the UK in October suggested that any part of the digestive system may be affected by SARS-CoV-2 and people with pre-existing diseases are at greatest risk of adverse outcomes. It also found that some repurposed drugs used against the virus can cause or aggravate some of the Covid-related gastrointestinal symptoms and can induce liver injury.

Dr Pavithra, consultant for internal medicine at Columbia Asia Hospital said Covid infections last longer in people who develop GI symptoms as they get diagnosed late. "Covid patients who get gastrointestinal symptoms have more virus in the gut. The number of ACE2 receptors (which bind to the spike protein of the virus) is higher in their small intestine, duodenum and colon than in the lungs and this leads to potentially greater damage on the gut mucosa," she said.

Such patients could also develop other Covid-related complications, Dr Bindumath said. "Due to the GI involvement, the loss of intestinal barrier and gut microbes can activate immune cells to release proinflammatory ctyokine that will further lead to systemic complications in the respiratory system resulting in respiratory failure and multi-organ failure. People with loose stools and abdominal discomfort should be monitored because it can be Covid," he said.

However, infectious diseases consultant at Fortis Hospitals, Dr Pruthu Narendra Dhekane, said, "There isn't a stark difference in the range of symptoms between the first and second waves. What has changed is the rate of transmission. We now see more family members and contacts of patients testing positive."

Permit vaccination for anyone aged 18 and above, experts tell govt

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HOWEVER, Dr Babu said that it's clear that the UK variant has reached the level of community spread in Punjab. "In addition, it may have spread to many other states. In Maharashtra, where the government itself has admitted that 15-20 per cent of samples sent for genome sequencing are of the new double mutant variety, there are several worrying clusters in that state where mutant viruses are spreading at a fast rate."

Meanwhile, the experts say that a lockdown may not be a solution but instead, the government should now impose specific curbs on any kind of gatherings, be it election campaigns or celebration festivals and fairs. The number of people in indoor gatherings should be reduced, open markets should be provided and schools, which can do away with exams, can also be closed, they suggest. The government should also ramp up the vaccination drive and permit inoculation for any person who is 18 years old and above, they added.

"People need to act responsibly so that we don't have to see a lockdown-kind of situation. Also, the government should put in all efforts to stop any superspreader events from being held," Dr Babu said. "Emergency use authorisation must be given to all internationally available vaccines with established efficacy and safety. In other words, Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson and Johnson, Novavax and the Russian and Chinese vaccines must be accepted and utilized even as bridge studies for these vaccines are being conducted. This is done with Covishield too," he said.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **SRI M. VEERESH** S/o Late E. Muniswamappa, R/at Sonnappanahalli Village, Bettahalasur Post, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore-562157, he had acquired quarry lease over an area measuring 5 acre 14 guntas in Sy. No. 110 of Thylagere Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District initially for a period of 5 years with effect from 4/3/2010 under the QL No. 2537, from the Department of Mines and Geology, later on said quarry has renewal for a further period of 20 years with effect from 04.03.2015. My client state that with a fond hope of having the developed into quarry business and install a stone crushing unit in the quarry, my client on 7/9/2015 has executed a notarized General power of attorney in favour of **SRI. M.A. MOHAMMED AMANULLAH** S/o Late Abdulla, R/at No.108, IVC Road, Chikkasanne Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District.

Wherein my client had appointed **SRI. M.A. MOHAMMED AMANULLAH** S/o Late Abdulla as his attorney to manager, Developer and had authorized him to carry the developments of the quarrying activitites in the schedule quarry area, being the Power of Attorney holder of my client said **SRI. M.A. MOHAMMED AMANULLAH** S/o Late Abdulla is not managing the quarry activities properly as instructed and desired by my client and he was trying to doing illegal activities in the quarry area behind my client, as such my client, are no longer interested in continuing him as their Attorney, as such my client hereby do revoke/cancel the power of Attorney dated 7/9/2015, executed by him, therefore My client on 25-03-2021 has issued legal notice and revoke/cancel the power of Attorney dated 7/9/2015,. Therefore my client is informed to general public do not carry any business with the **SRI M.A. MOHAMMED AMANULLAH** S/o Late Abdulla in relating to the above said quarry lease under the GPA dated 07-09-2015 and further informed my clients to the General public or concerned departments have doing any business with the **SRI M.A. MOHAMMED AMANULLAH** S/o Late Abdulla in relating to above quarry lease and GPA dated 07-09-2015 and my client not responsible any loss or right of the General Public in the matter.

A. MURTHY, Advocate
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client Smt. C.R. Mangala, W/o B.N. Rajana, aged about 47 years, R/at No.1309, 13th Cross, West of Chord Road, 2nd Stage, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru, have **cancelled the joint Development Agreement dated:13-08-2014.** With you for developing a layout with sites in the schedule properties and the same is registered as document bearing No. 3931 and stored in CD No.107 in the office of the sub-registrar, at Malur vide register dated 20-08-2014, and **Power of Attorney dated 13-08-2014 which are registered in favour of M/S EXCELLENT DEVELOPERS, No.142, Ground Floor, GR Plaza, DVG Road, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru 560004, Rep by its Managing partner's Sri. K.C. Srinivasa Murthy, S/o Late K. Chandrashekara Gupta and Lokamba Aswath W/o P.N. Aswathnaryana,** with respect to the land **'A' SCHEDULE PROPERTY Item 1,** bearing Survey Sy. No. 72/1. Measuring 0.21-12 guntas situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar, converted for residential use vide official Memorandum dated 26/06/2013, bearing No. ALN.SR.284/2012-13 issued by the district officer Kolar and bounded on East by: Land in Sy No.73/1, West by: Road Leading to Sy. No.73 and Sy.No. 73. North by: Land in Sy. No. 72/2, South by: Land in Sy. No. 72/3. **Item 2:** bearing Sy.No.74/2, Measuring 1 Acre Situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar, converted for residential use vide official Memorandum dated:-26/06/2013, bearing No.ALN.SR.284/ 2012-13 issued by the district officer Kolar and bounded on the: East by: Land in sy No.74/1, West by: Land in Sy. No.73 and road. North by: Land in Sy. No. 74/1, South by: Land in Sy. No. 6. **Schedule "B" Property** bearing Sy. No. 73/2, Measuring 1 Acre 02 guntas, situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar converted for residential use vide official Memorandum dated: 26-06-2013, bearing No. ALN.SR.286/2012-13 issued by the district officer Kolar District, Kolar and is bounded on the East by: Remaining land in Sy. No.74, West by: Remaining land in Sy. No.73/1, North by: Remaining Land in Sy.No73/1, South by: land in Sy. No. 5 and 6. **SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY Item 1,** bearing Survey No.73/1. Measuring, 1 Acre Situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar, converted for residential use vide officer Memorand dated:-09-01-2014, bearing No. ALN.SR.282/2013-14, issued by the district officer Kolar District, Kolar and is bounded on the East by: land belonging to Smt. C.R. Mangala, West by: Land belonging to Smt. C.R. Mangala, North by: Land belonging to Smt. C.R. Mangala, South by: Remaining land Sy. No. 73/1. **Item 2** property bearing Survey No.73/1. Measuring 1 Acre Situated at Harohalii Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar, converted for residential use vide official Memorandum dated:-09-01-2014, bearing No. ALN.SR.282/2013-14 issued by the district officer Kolar District, Kolar and is bounded on the East by: Land belonging to Smt. C.R. Mangala, West by: Land belonging to Smt. C.R. Mangala, North by: Land belonging to Smt. C.R. Mangala, South by: Remaining land in Sy. No. 5. **Item 3** property bearing Survey No.73/1. Measuring 15 Guntas and Sy No.82/4 measuring 3 Guntas Situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar, converted for residential use vide official Memorandum dated:09-01-2014, bearing No.ALN.SR.282/2013-14 and official memorandum dated 22-7-2013 bearing No.ALN.SR.283/2012-13 issued by the district officer Kolar District, Kolar and is bounded on the:-East by: Land belonging to Pillachari, West by: Other land belonging to the Owner, North by: Maruthi Residential Layout, South by: Remaining land in Sy.No.73/1. **Item 4** property bearing Survey No.83/9 Measuring 3 Guntas situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar; converted for residential use vide official Memorandum dated:-22-07-2013, bearing No.ALN.SR.283/2012-13 issued by the district officer Kolar District, Kolar and is bounded on the East by: Land in Sy. No. 82/4, West by: Road (Rural), North by: Maruthi Residential Layout, South by: other land belonging to the Owner. **Item 5** All that piece and parcel of the bearing Survey No.73/1 Measuring 1 acre situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar; converted for residential use vide official Memorandum dated:-09-01-2014, bearing No.ALN.SR.282/2013-14 issued by the district officer Kolar District, Kolar and is bounded on the East by: Land belonging to Pillachari, West by: land bearing Sy. No. 72/2, North by: Land belonging to C.R. Mangala, South by: Remaining land in Sy. No. 73/1. **Schedule D property** bearing Survey No.72/2. Measuring 30 Guntas situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar; converted for residential use vide official Memorandum dated:-26-06-2013, bearing No.ALN.SR.282/2012-13 issued by the district officer Kolar District, Kolar and is bounded on the East by: Land belonging to Ramareddy, West by: Malur-Naraspura Industrial Road, North by: Maruthi Residential Layout, South by: remaining land belonging to C.R. Mangala. By issuing Notice. Public's are hereby informed/cautioned not to deal with said person with respect to property mentioned above.

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Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1.M/s. Suguna Civil Constructions and Labour Contract represented by its Proprietor Mr. Kutti, 2. Mr. Kutti, 3. Mrs. K. Vijaya.	Loan Account No. 30198850007182 Loan Amount Rs.6,00,000/-	SCHEDULE - II DETAILS OF SECURED ASSETS Schedule-A Description of Immovable Property All that piece and Parcel Site No. 1 Assessment no.97 north Proportion Karivobanahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura hobli in all measuring 555 sq.ft, Bangalore North Taluk in all measuring **bounded as follows: East By:** Other Property, **West By:** Road, **North By:** Road, **South By:** Site No 1 South Portion.	Date of NPA: 01/10/2018 Demand Notice Date: 16/06/2020	Rs.5,45,894/- (Rupees Five Lakh Forty Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Four Only/-) as on 27.05.2020
2	1.M/s. Shine Coat represented by its Proprietor Mr. Shankar E, 2. Mr. Shankar E, 3. Mrs. Shilpa Kala N.	Loan Account No. 30198648982486 Loan Amount Rs.13,00,000/-	SCHEDULE - II DETAILS OF SECURED ASSETS Schedule-A Description of Immovable Property All that piece and Parcel of New No.52, (Old No.57), situated at Patel Hanumanthappa Garden, Bazaar Street Cross, Now 4th Cross, Neelsandra Bangalore-560047 and **bounded on: East By:** Property of Petel Hanumanthappa, **West By:** Land of Abbaiah, **North By:** 3 feet Road &Theresamma's Property, **South By:** Ramanna's Property.	Date of NPA: 08/01/2020 Demand Notice Date: 07/07/2020	Rs.8,67,187/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Eighty Seven Only) as on 02.07.2020
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Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

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Congress leader Siddaramaiah will campaign in poll-bound Tamil Nadu on Saturday. He will seek votes from a sizeable Kannada-speaking and AHINDA populations. He will reach Thali Assembly constituency in Krishnagiri district at 11 am on Saturday, and campaign at Denkanikottai, Hosur (1.30 pm), Bagalur (4 pm), Berigai (5 pm), Soolagiri (6 pm) and Vepanapalli (7 pm)

Strict Covid-19 norms in place for by-elections

Only 5 people allowed for door-to-door campaign, social distancing at rallies

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

AS Covid-19 numbers continue to surge in the state, the health department on Friday issued detailed guidelines for the safe conduct of bypolls to Belagavi Lok Sabha and Maski and Basavakalyan Assembly seats. According to the guidelines, only five people, including candidates, are allowed during door-to-door campaigning. During roadshows, convoys of vehicles should be broken after every five vehicles instead of 10 (excluding security vehicles, if any). The interval between two sets of vehicle convoys should be half-an-hour, instead of a gap of 100m. To ensure social distancing during rallies in open areas, 15 persons will be allowed per gunta (1,000 sq ft) and 200 attendees in closed spaces.

District Election Officers should identify dedicated grounds for public gatherings, with clearly marked entry/exit points, and place markings on the floor to ensure physical distancing by the attendees. They should depute officials to ensure the norms are followed.

Leaders from the BJP, Congress and JDS will address a number of rallies in all three constituencies in the next few days, and candidates and their supporters will take up door-to-door campaigning to woo voters.

Health Commissioner Dr KV Trilok Chandra stated that broad guidelines for the conduct of elections/ by-elections are issued by the EC from time to time. In view of the current Covid-19 situation, comprehensive guidelines are issued in the state.

Parties and candidates should ensure that all Covid-related requirements like face masks, sanitiser and thermal scanning are fulfilled during meetings. Cases will be booked under Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action taken under Section 188 of the IPC against those violating protocol, the health department warned. "The nominations form shall also be available on the website of the CEO/DEO. Candidates may fill it online and its print may be taken for submitting before the Returning Officer as specified in Form-1 (Rule-3 of Conduct of Election Rules 1961). Affidavit may also be filled online on the website of CEO/DEO and its print can be taken and after notarisation, it may be submitted along with the nomination form before the Returning Officer," the guidelines states.

RULEBOOK

- All persons, including those who have received Covid vaccination, should wear face masks properly during every poll-related activity
- Maximum 1,000 electors in a polling station
- 2 persons can accompany a candidate for submission of nomination
- 5 persons, including candidates, allowed during door-to-door campaign
- Convoy of vehicles in roadshows should be broken after every 5 vehicles
- Maximum of 15 persons per gunta allowed in open areas and 200 attendees in closed spaces
- Thermal checking of electors at entry point of polling stations
- Covid positive persons shall wear full PPE kit and come in dedicated ambulance to vote during the last hour of polling
- Those from containment zones, home quarantine, those having Covid-like symptoms shall be facilitated for voting by following preventive steps during last hour of polling

'Govt open to suggestions from Oppn on Covid'

Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar on Friday said the State Government is open to suggestions from Opposition on containing the Covid-19. "They can tell us if there are any flaws in the system. We are open to discuss any suggestions and the CM may call an all-party meeting too," he said. There is no question of hiding Covid numbers and the government is making only factual data public. "Government neither intends to, nor is it possible to hide any details," he added. It is difficult to restrict any activity, but keeping in view the spread of the infection, adequate steps will be initiated, he said. "We are taking stringent measures to curb Covid spread," he said.

EXPRESS READ

Amendment to procurement Act anti-Dalit: Siddu

BENGALURU: Congress leader Siddaramaiah has demanded that the government withdraw the amendment to Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act, terming it "anti-Dalit and a path to corruption." CM BS Yediyurappa tabled the Bill in the Assembly earlier this week and the House passed it via voice vote without any debate. Siddaramaiah said, "It exempts Karnataka Rural Infrastructure Development Limited from even calling for tenders for projects under ₹2 crore. The government has snatched away livelihoods of SC/ST contractors to whom we had given a reservation to take up works up to ₹50 lakh. This will allow blatant corruption." "This is an anti-Dalit move. The law has to be withdrawn immediately," he said.

Students and district police and other officials hold a candle light vigil to create voter awareness ahead of the bypolls in Belagavi on Friday

IT'S POLITICAL GREENHORN VS POLL VETERAN IN BELAGAVI

Her husband's rail projects may keep Mangala on track

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @ Belagavi

MANGALA Angadi, wife of late Suresh Angadi, former Union Minister of State for Railways, fielded by BJP in the bypoll to the Belagavi Lok Sabha seat on "sympathy factor", is expected to face a tough contest from a political heavyweight, Satish Jarkiholi of Congress. However, some important rail projects that her husband managed to get for Belagavi as a Union Minister may give her an advantage.

A bastion of Congress traditionally, the Belagavi Lok Sabha constituency turned into a BJP stronghold ever since Angadi won his first election, riding on the popularity of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, in 2004, and going on to win four successive LS elections from Belagavi.

Mangala, who will not be helped by the tailwind of a Modi wave that seems to have waned over the last two years, has to explore other alternatives to win the poll, political observers said.

MLC Mahantesh Kavatgimath, who was in the race for the BJP ticket and now rallying behind Mangala, said, "Already, Suresh Angadi had completed around two years of his term as MP before he passed away. The party may have considered Mangala to let her continue the remaining term of her husband."

He said that BJP has a strong worker base across the Lok Sabha segment. All grassroots party workers have delivered effectively in successive elections and it will be no different in this bypoll, he added. Mangala is being backed by all the party leaders, he said.

The dominant Lingayat community, to which Mangala belongs, is supporting BJP and she can expect to score high in Bailhongal, Saundatti, Ramdurg and Gokak Assembly constituencies, which have a large population of the community.

Mangala's candidature on Thursday came as a shock to many party leaders, who had expected the party to pick MP Ramesh Katti or MLC Mahantesh Kavatagimath or advocate M B Zirli, who are popular and experienced leaders. Some sections in the party had also wanted a fresh face like Dr Girish Sonwalkar or Dr Ravi Patil.

Satish Jarkiholi, a leader who enjoys mass support

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @ Belagavi

UNDOUBTEDLY, the bypoll to the Belagavi Lok Sabha constituency will be a high-voltage contest, even though a seasoned politician like **Satish Jarkiholi** of Congress is crossing swords with a political debutant, Mangala Angadi, wife of former Union Minister of State for Railways late Suresh Angadi.

A master strategist in Congress who has been playing a key role time and again in forming state governments over the past few years, Satish has carved a niche for himself in state politics.

After entering politics as a director of Belagavi District Central Cooperative in 1992, he has won two Council and three Assembly polls, on his way to become secretary of the All-India Congress Committee last year.

Despite having different political affiliations, all five Jarkiholi brothers of Gokak are believed to have a strong yet secret bond between them which has helped political parties to depend on them to garner numbers while forming a government.

"I have faced many elections in my life and that will certainly come in handy for me this bypoll. The people have elected me five times as a legislator for the development works I have taken up. I am confident that people will continue to support me in the coming bypoll," he said.

Congress spokesperson Laxmi Hebbalkar said Satish is in a different political league and enjoys massive support from people of all castes. "I am sure every party worker will work for him for his victory this time," she added.

He enjoys mass support in several parts of the constituency, including the two Assembly segments of Arabhavi and Gokak, represented by his brothers — Balachandra and Ramesh. He also has the backing of the cooperative sector, and several of his sympathisers are in power in many local bodies.

Of the eight Assembly segments in the Lok Sabha constituency, Belagavi Rural and Bailhongal are held by Laxmi Hebbalkar and Mahantesh Koujalgi of Congress, while Belagavi-North, Belagavi-South, Ramdurg, Saundatti, Gokak and Arabhavi are represented by BJP.

Cong to use CD row in polls, BJP not worried

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

CONGRESS, after rattling the BJP government with CD-gate and attacking six ministers for seeking protection from publication of any incriminating reports against them, will hold the same line to browbeat the saffron party during the bypolls to two Assembly and one Lok Sabha seat.

But BJP seems undeterred. Party spokesman and former MLC Ganesh Karnik, campaigning in Kerala, said, "The party was prepared even before the bypoll dates were announced. We are sure of winning."

The party has assigned senior leaders and powerful ministers to campaign in the constituencies. Deputy CM Laxman Savadi, ministers Prabhu Chavan, Umesh Katti, Shashikala Jolle, Jagadish Shettar, B C Patil, Basavraj Bommai, Murugesh Nirani and B Sriramulu will be joined by state party vice-president B Y Vijayendra, who has proved his mettle by delivering the KR Pet and Sira constituencies to BJP.

The leaders will campaign every day and meet members of all communities, however small. Karnik said, "As compared to other parties, BJP is far ahead in these constituencies. In Belagavi, Home Minister Amit Shah's visit in January has helped, and we also started the preparations months ago." The party strategy is also to assign particular constituencies and responsibilities to these leaders. CM B S Yediyurappa is said to have told the leaders to put away their differences and to work united for the party's victory.

Congress, which has been losing bypolls repeatedly, is desperate to win these elections. They have put up KPCC working president Satish Jarkiholi in Belagavi, BJP turncoat Basasangouda Turvihal in Maski and wife of former Congress MLA late Narayana Rao, Mallamma Rao, in Basavakalyan.

KPCC president D K Shivakumar said, "CLP leader Siddaramaiah and I will be present when these candidates file their nominations." Both of them, along with other leaders, are planning to campaign aggressively in all the three constituencies, sources said.

Dissent brews in BJP over selection of Basavakalyan candidate

RAMKRISHNA BADSESHI @ Basavakalyan (Bidar district)

TROUBLE is brewing within BJP in Basavakalyan over the selection of Sharanu Salgar as the party candidate for the bypoll, which will be held on April 17. Salgar is yet to file his nomination papers, and already, Maruti Mule, a former JDS MLA and a BJP ticket aspirant this time, has announced that he will contest the bypoll on a Nationalist Congress Party ticket.

Mule, who is a leader from the Maratha community that has a sizeable population in the constituency, told The New Indian Express that BJP failed to consider his service and popularity in the constituency and fielded an outsider. Salgar is from the neighbouring Kalaburagi district.

Mule said he contacted NCP national leaders after his followers pressurised him to contest the polls, and the party gave him the go-head. Mule said that he will file the papers on Monday or Tuesday.

Another BJP ticket contender, Mallikarjun Khuba, too expressed his disappointment over the party ignoring him. Khuba, a two-time Basavakalyan MLA from JDS (2004 and 2013), had unsuccessfully contested on a BJP ticket in 2018. He told TNIE, "I will reach Basavakalyan on Saturday and hold discussions with my followers to chalk out the future course of action."

Congress, however, seems to have quelled any dissent in the party by fielding Mallamma, the wife of MLA Narayan Rao -- whose death necessitated the by-election here. Also, there is no discontent within JDS over the selection of Syed Yasrab Ali Qadri.

BJP workers protesting against Bidar MP Bhagwant Khuba accusing him of selling bypoll party ticket to Sharanu Salgar, at Basavakalyan in Bidar district, on Friday. They said that the party should not have fielded Salgar, an 'outsider' from Kalaburagi district

CD-gate: SIT waits for complainant to record statement

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THE woman said that so far she had fears, but after several politicians, women's organisations and the public came forward to support her, she decided to file a case against Jarkiholi.

She will also be required to record her statement before a magistrate as per provisions of Sec 161 of CrPC (examination of witnesses by police), which provides for oral examination of a person by any investigating officer when such a person is supposed to be acquainted with the facts and circumstances of the case; and in accordance with provisions of Sec 164 of CrPC. This empowers metropolitan magistrate or judicial magistrate to record statements under Chapter 12 before the commencement of inquiry or trial.

The woman's lawyer K N Jagadish Kumar said, "I met Bengaluru Police Commissioner Kamal Pant regarding the complaint and he referred us to Cubbon Park police, where the FIR has been registered. Since Jarkiholi is a very influential person, she is scared to come out from isolation, but she will appear before the SIT as soon as she is assured of security."

Kumar said, "We contacted her over a social networking site to support her and offered her legal aid. She believed us and agreed to file a case after getting moral support and received a written letter. Eight of us lawyers are legally assisting her and we also met the DG&IPG to demand immediate protection to her."

On Thursday, she had released a second video in which she stated that she will appear before the SIT after the safety of her parents is assured. She had also raised suspicions and questioned the way the SIT was investigating the case. She claimed that she had sent the first video to the Police Commissioner's office and the SIT and the complaint was filed by Jarkiholi the next day. "I don't know whom they (SIT) are saving," she had said in the video.

'Faced life threats'

In her complaint, the woman says that she faced life threats from Ramesh Jarkiholi and that he video-recorded the sexual act and leaked it to the media. She alleged that he befriended her when she met him over making a short film. He called her twice to his apartment where he sexually assaulted her.

'Ready for legal battle'

Ramesh Jarakiholi said, "It is no wonder that she is filing a police complaint as she is exposed before the public. I am mentally prepared and I have discussed it with my lawyer. The law will take its course."

Woman claims 'support' of DKS camp

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

SOON after an FIR was registered against former minister Ramesh Jarkiholi, an audio clip of a phone conversation between the woman in the CD and her parents and brother went viral, in which she has claimed that she has the support of KPCC president D K Shivakumar's associates.

The police, however, are yet to verify the authenticity of this phone conversation and whether it is indeed the woman speaking to her family. The voice clip has been sent to the Forensic Science Laboratory.

The 6:59 minute audio conversation contains a part in which she tells her brother that Shivakumar's associates were meeting her. After few seconds she also mentions that she was at Shivakumar's residence.

The conversation includes her attempts at convincing her parents and her brother that the video which went viral was morphed and everything would be cleared after a few days. Using the opportunity, BJP hit out at Congress and Shivakumar. Taking to Twitter, BJP urged Shivakumar to apologise to the people of the state for resorting to a conspiracy to gain power and insisted that the Congress central leadership should immediately seek his resignation.

The saffron party also stated that Shivakumar's name was cropping up from the beginning and it is proved now with the woman mentioning that she was at the Congress leader's house. The Congress leaders, who spoke at length about the issue, have to now explain if the conspiracy was planned at the party office, BJP said.

Asked if Shivakumar will be summoned for questioning, Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai said that he preferred not to comment on SIT's investigation, but maintained that the agency will look into all angles including the video and audio clips.

Cops arrest four for kidnap, rescue student within 7 hrs

Gang planned to identify kids of rich families, pay off loans with ransom

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE KG Halli police arrested four youngsters who kidnapped a 22-year-old student and demanded a ransom of Rs 2 crore, and rescued the victim within seven hours of the case being reported.

The arrested – Abdul Fahad, Jabiulla, Korewel Salman and Thaufik -- had planned the kidnap to pay off their huge loans and lead a lavish life. Police said that Meer Arifulla, a resident of HBR Layout Third Block, who runs a nursing college, filed a complaint on Thursday, stating that his son Rabeez Arafath had been kidnapped. The gang had contacted him and demanded a ransom of Rs 2 crore for his son's safe release. Rabeez, who is doing his MS in the United Kingdom, was at home due to the pandemic, and was attending online classes.

"The accused kidnapped him from HBR Layout Ring Road around 12.45 pm. An acquaintance of the complainant saw this and immediately alerted the victim's father, who called the police. About two hours later, the abductors made a ransom call, demanded Rs 2 crore and threatened to kill the youth if the demand was not met," police said.

Police formed five special teams which investigated all angles, collected details of the accused with the help of informants, scanned CCTV footage and accessed other technical assistance. "The abductors were constantly moving in a car on the outskirts of the city. Their movement was tracked and they were caught around 9.30 pm. The four accused were arrested and the victim was rescued, though a few others managed to escape. Efforts are on to nab them," police said.

Investigations revealed that the accused had purchased a car from an online classified platform to commit the offence. "The accused planned to identify children of wealthy persons and kidnap them for ransom. About a week ago, they identified the complainant's son as a target, as he was running a nursing college. They wanted to repay their debts and lead a lavish life. Their attempt to kidnap Rabeez had failed two days ago," the police added.

The mastermind, Abdul Fahad, was involved in a kidnap case in 2018, police said.

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> – KG Halli police

EXPRESS READ

Three from Rajasthan held for smuggling ganja

BENGALURU: The KR Puram police arrested three men from Rajasthan, and seized 500 kg of ganja worth Rs 1 crore. The accused have been identified as Dayal Ram (38), Poona Ram (24), and Budha Ram (23), who hail from Jodhpur district. Police said the operation was conducted in the wee hours of Friday, following a tip that a huge amount of ganja was being smuggled in a truck to the city to sell. The police team swung into action and established contact with the suspects in the guise of customers. They eventually trapped and arrested them. **ENS**

Institute of Health Management Research (IIHMR) Bangalore Director Dr Usha Manjunath and HxCentral CEO Shafi Ahamed exchange MoU documents in Bengaluru. The two entities renewed their agreement, which is aimed at bridging the industry-academia gap, jointly collaborating for upskilling healthcare professionals on digital health and improving quality of care in hospitals.

DC TRANSFER

Decide on IAS officer's plea in 2 weeks, CAT told

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court asked the Bengaluru Bench of the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) to decide within two weeks, the original application filed by IAS officer B Sharath, questioning his transfer from the post of Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru.

A division bench of Justice Satish Chandra Sharma and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty passed the order after hearing a writ petition filed by Sharath.

"Tribunal is requested to decide the matter as expeditiously as possible within a time-frame, as provided under Rule 105 of the CAT Rules, 1993. As in this present case, the time period provided under the Rules is already over, and the Tribunal should decide the matter positively within two weeks from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order," the court said, disposing the petition filed by Sharath.

He moved the HC praying that direction should be issued to the CAT to pass the order on his original application, within seven days, filed against his transfer.

Sharath had questioned the notification issued by the State Government transferring him from the DC's post before the CAT, which reserved the order on December 22, 2020, after hearing the arguments. While transferring Sharath from Mysuru, the government posted IAS officer Rohini Sindhuri as the Deputy Commissioner.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, the original registered Sale Deed dated 20.04.2013 registered as Document no.BDH-1-00341/2013-14 CD No.BDHD97 in Book I, in the office of the SRO-Bidarahalli, Bangalore, in respect of Southern Portion of Site No.105, property nos.23 & 29, House List Khata No.197/197/197, Bidareagrahara @ Chinnagenahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, was lost during transit, in lieu of the same a complaint is registered in C.mis No.1257/1916/2016 in Avalahalli Police Station on dated 07.11.2016. Finders may return the same to the above said Police Station or Contact at the below address.

PRASHANTH KUMAR. K, B.A., L.L.B.,
"LEX FACTUM",
Advocates and Legal Consultants,
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Online applications are inviting for admission to the following courses for the July 2021 session through Computer Based Test (CBT) to be held at various cities as per detail given below:

Date of Test	Course Title	Tentative dates of start & closing of online form
31.05.2021	D.M/M.Ch	24.03.2021 to 24.04.2021
	Master of Public Health (MPH)	25.03.2021 to 20.04.2021
	PG Diploma in Public Health Management (PGDPHM)	
05.06.2021	Ph.D.	06.04.2021 to 27.04.2021
	House Job (Dentistry)	28.03.2021 to 27.04.2021
	Fellowship/Post-Doctoral Fellowship	27.03.2021 to 25.04.2021
	M.Sc., M.Sc. MLT & M.Sc. Nursing	28.03.2021 to 27.04.2021

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POSSESSION NOTICE FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY {Under the Act Rule 8(1)}

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized Officer of the Karnataka Gramin Bank under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice dated as mentioned below, calling upon the Borrowers/Owners/Mortgagor/Guarantors as mentioned below to repay the amount mentioned in the notice along with interest from below mentioned dates within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower/Owners/Mortgagor/Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 9 of the said Rules of dates as mentioned below. The borrowers/ Owners/Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not deal with property/ies will be subject to the charge of Karnataka Gramin Bank, and amount as mentioned below along with future interest and other charges thereon.

1) Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors: Borrowers:1)T L Manjunath S/o Lakshmana. 2)Jayalakshmamma W/o Lakshmana, R/o Tavarekere Village, Tippasandra Hobli, Magdi Taluk, Rama nagara District. Guarantor: Umesh H S/o Hulloraiah, R/o Hemagiri palya Village, Magadi Taluk, Rama nagara District.
Branch: Solur **Demand Notice Date: 28.12.2020** **Possession Notice Date:23.03.2021**
Outstanding Amount: Rs.4,42,712/-(Rupees: Four Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Twelve Only) and interest and other charges from **28.02.2021.**
Description of Immoveable Property: Site No.26, Katha No.152900301401600110, Measuring E-W 30 feet, N-S 40 feet, Total:1200 Sq feet, Tavarekere Village, Tippasandra Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara District. **Bounded on: East by:** Govt Road. **West by:** Property of Honnamma. **North by:** Property of Cha -nnahanumaiah. **South by:** Property of Basavaraju. property Standing in the name T L Manjunath S/o Lakshmana.

2) Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors: Borrowers:1)Shivakumar K S/o K Krishnappa. 2)Jayamma W/o K Krishnappa. 3)K Krishnappa S/o Kendaiah. 4)Jagadesha K S/o K Krishnappa, R/o No.68A, Hanumantha Nagara, Jalamangala Road, Rayara beedi, Ramanagara Town and District. Gua -rantor: B P Srikantaiah S/o Papanna, R/o Infront of Honnamma Kalyana Mantapa, Ramanagara Town and District.
Branch: Ramanagara **Demand Notice Date: 31.12.2020** **Possession Notice Date:23.03.2021**
Outstanding Amount: Rs.3,71,104.53/-(Rupees: Three Lakhs Seventy One Thousand One Hundred Four and Fifty Three Paisa Only) and interest and other charges from **26.02.2021.**
Description of Immoveable Property: Katha No.683/365/67/2, Measuring E-W 58 feet, N-S 15 feet, Total: 870 Sq feet, Manjunatha Nagara, 3rd Stage, Bolappanahalli,Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District. **Bounded on: East by:** Road. **West by:** Property of Appajigowda. **North by:** Site of Rukmini Bai. **South by:** Site of Mariyappa. property Standing in the name Jayamma W/o K Krishnappa.

3) Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors: Borrowers:1)Ganga D/o Mariyaiah. 2)Anand Kumar. S/o Mariyaiah, R/o Abbur Village and Post, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District.
Branch: Dasavara **Demand Notice Date: 28.12.2020** **Possession Notice Date:23.03.2021**
Outstanding Amount: Rs.2,58,372/-(Rupees: Two Lakhs Fifty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Two Only) and interest and other charges from **11.03.2021.**
1)Description of Immoveable Property: Katha No.451/451, Measuring E-W 47 feet, N-S 33 feet, Total: 1551 Sq feet, Abbur Village and Post, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District. **Bounded on: East by:** Temple and Property of Krishnamurthy. **West by:** Property of Gangadhara. **North by:** Property of Ananadanna and other. **South by:** Govt Road. property Standing in the name Ganga D/o Mariyaiah.
2)Description of Immoveable Property: Katha No.452/259, Measuring E-W 40 feet, N-S 36 feet, Total: 1440 Sq feet, Abbur Village and Post, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District. **Bounded on: East by:** Temple and Property of Krishnamurthy. **West by:** Property of Gangadhara. **North by:** Property of Ananadanna and other. **South by:** Govt Road. property Standing in the name Ganga D/o Mariyaiah.

Date: 27.03.2021 **Sd/-Authorised Office**
Place: Mandya **Karnataka Gramin Bank, Mandya**

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Tender Notice No. F-3/PWD/WDVI/ASW/26/2020-2021, dated 23.03.2021
1. The last date of online application is **16.04.2021 up to 15.00 hrs.**
2. The last date of online submission of tender is **16.04.2021 up to 15.00 hrs.**
3. The date & time of Opening of Online Tender is **19.04.2021 after 10.30 hrs.**

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients **(1) Papaiah** S/o. Muniswamy, Aged 82 years, **(2) Muthamma** W/o. Papaiah, Aged 72 years, **(3) H.P.Nagaraj** S/o. Papaiah, Aged 50 Years, **(4) H.P.Muniraju** S/o. Papaiah, Aged 48 Years, **(5) H.P.Umesh** S/o. Papaiah, Aged 46 Years, **(6) H.P.Jothesh** S/o. Papaiah, Aged 40 Years, **(7) H.P.Munikrishna** S/o. Papapaiah, Aged 35 Years, **(8) Jothaiah** S/o. Muniswamy, Aged 63 Years, **(9) Yoshadamma** W/o. Jothaiah, Aged 53 Years, **(10) Puttamma** W/o. Gullappa, Aged 90 Years, **(11) Sampangi** S/o. Gullappa, Aged 70 Years, **(12) S.Shashidhar** S/o. Sampangi, Aged 43 Years, **(13) Appanni** S/o. Gullappa, Aged 65 Yeas, **(14) Kantharaju** S/o. Appanni, Aged 36 Years, **(15) Lokesh** S/o. Appanni, Aged 40 Years, **(16) G.Lingappa** S/o. Gullappa, Aged 64 Years, **(17) Naniyelappa** S/o. Gullappa, Aged 50 Years, **(18) Nanjudappa** S/o. Mallaga, Aged 90 Years, **(19) Raju S/o. Nanjundappa,** Aged 50 Years, **(20) Shivaiah** S/o. Nanjundappa, Aged 48 Years, **(21) Mallikarjuna** S/o. Nanjundappa, Aged 46 Years, **(22) Shankar** S/o. Nanjundappa, Aged 44 Years, **(23) Kumar** S/o. Nanjundappa, Aged 36 Years all are residing at Hosahalli Village, JiganiHobli, Anekal Taluk, who are the absolute owners of the **property bearing Sy No.60 in all measuring to an extent of 05-00 acres situated at Hosahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District.**

My clients had executed a registered general power of attorney on 06.11.2004 registered on 12.11.2004 as document bearing No.ANK-4-00264/2004-05 stored in CD No.ANKD40 in Book No.1 in the office of the Sub-Registrar Anekal in favour of **Nandkishore Malu,** S/o.Late Kannyalal Malu, Vice President, of The Ideal Homes, Co-operative Building Society Ltd. Ideal Homes Township. 10th Cross, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Mysore Road, Bengaluru-98 to do all acts and deeds on her behalf in any manner in respect of the above stated properties. Since Sri.G.Prem Kumar has failed to do any acts and deeds pursuant to the power of attorney dated 06.11.2004 registered on 12.11.2004 and acted contrary to the interest of my client. In view of the same my client by issuing a legal notice on 23.03.2021 has terminated/cancelled the power of attorney executed in his favour in respect of the above stated properties.

Hence the general public are hereby cautioned not deal with the above stated property with **Nandkishore Malu,** S/o. Late Kannyalal Malu, Vice President, of The Ideal Homes, Co-operative Building Society Ltd. Ideal Homes Township. 10th Cross, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Mysore Road, Bengaluru-98 or any other persons of Ideal Homes Township in any manner from here onwards and also in future in view of the cancellation of the power of attorney and if they does so that would at their own risk.

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RECRUITMENT NOTICE

Advertisement No. AD 6B 10/02/2021,dated 23.03.2021

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule - 8 (1) (For immovable property)

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No.3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notices dated **27-11-2020** issued and also Newspaper Publication in Samyukta Karnataka and New Indian Express on 18-12-2020 calling upon the borrower: **Sri. N. Sanath Kumar,** S/o. Sri. M. Nanjundappa, Flat No. B-15-01, Ground Floor, EWS, BDA Flat, 6th Cross, Near Jaga Jyothi Nagar, Malagala, Bengaluru-560 072, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 8,72,990/-** (Rupees eight lakhs seventy two thousand nine hundred ninety only) as on 27-11-2020 and with interest at contractual rate and expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below, in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules, on **25-03-2021.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs.8,94,227/-** (Rupees eight lakhs ninety four thousand two hundred twenty seven only) as on 25-03-2021 and interest + expenses, cost, charges, etc. thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Sub-section(8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVBLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential Flat No. B-15-01, Ground Floor, EWS, BDA Flat, 6th Cross, Near Jaga Jyothi Nagar, Malagala, Bengaluru, one BHK – 380 sq. ft., standing in the name of Sri. N. Sanath Kumar, S/o. Sri. M. Nanjundappa.

Bounded by: East : Passage & B-15-02, West :Open to Sky, North : Passage & B-14-04, South : Passage Stair Case & B-15-04

Place:Bengaluru **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date: 25.03.2021 **SBI, RACPC, Lalbagh, Bengaluru**

IN THE COURT OF THE 72 ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BENGALURU (CCH-73)
P & SC No. 25024/2021

Between: Vinitha, D/o. late Suresh Aged about 14 years, Residing at No.64, Old Cement Lane, Austin Town, Bengaluru - 560047 Represented by her Mother S. Devi as Natural Guardian ...**Petitioner**
And: Nil ...**Respondent**

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PETITIONER HAS BEEN MADE THIS PETITION UNDER SECTION 278 OF Indian Succession Act, for grant of Letter of Administration Certificate in respect of petition schedule property on the petitioner on the basis of the WILL executed by one deceased Anil Kumar in favour of the petitioner who died on 04-03-2016. It came to know that no caveat has been entered and the said case is posted for hearing on **15-04-2021 at 11:00 AM** before the Hon'ble 72 Addl. City Civil and Sessions Judge, Mayohall, at Bengaluru (CCH-73). Any person claiming who have any interest appears before this Court on the above mentioned date either in person or through a pleader before grant of Letter of Administration Certificate in favour of the petitioner in respect of the schedule property.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the House property consisting of Ground Floor, partly constructed 1st floor and 2nd floor is under construction on the property bearing No. 648/H, 1st Main, 1st Stage, Indiranagar, Bengaluru - 560038, measuring East to West : 14.33+10.36/2 Meters and North to South: 8.08+12.13/2 Meters, and bounded on East by: Site No.648/G, West by: BDA Land in Sy. No.139 & presently Ramya Apartment, North by: Choultry Building and South by: Road.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Court this the 23rd day of March 2021.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Deputy Registrar
City Civil & Sessions, Judge,
Mayohall, Bengaluru

Address for Service: **Sri. D. N. Arun Kumar** Advocate No.14, Amar Towers, 1st Cross, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru - 560009 Mob: 9902784653

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DEMAND NOTICE U/s 13(2)

You the below mentioned borrower has availed loan by mortgaging the schedule mentioned property and you the below mention has stood as borrower/co- borrower guarantor for the loan agreement. Consequent to the defaulters committed by you, your loan account has been classified as non- performing asset on **24/03/2021** under the provisions of the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 **(in short SARFAESI Act).** We **Home First Finance Company India Limited** had issued Demand Notice u/s 13(2) read with section 13(13) of the SARFAESI Act to the address furnished by you. The notices sent to you by the Registered Post are received back & returned unserved. The contents of the said notices are that you had committed default in payment of the various loans guaranteed to you. Therefore, the present publication carried out to serve the notice as the provision of Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act and in terms of provision to the rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002:

Sr. No	Name and Address of the Account, Borrower(s) & Guarantor(s)	Details of the security to be enforced	Date of Demand Notice	Amount due as per Demand Notice
1	**Venkatalakshmi N, Nagaraja M & Ravi kumar N**	House,13, SECO VENKATALAKSHMI N Site no. 13, Sy. No. 53, situated at dodda hagade village, kasaba Hobli, Anekal taluk, Bangalore District. Bangalore, 562106	24/03/2021	**Rs. 7,78,517/- as on 24/03/2021 plus further interest and other expenses.**

You are hereby called upon to pay **Home First Finance Company India Limited** within the period of 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice the aforesaid amount with interest and cost failing which Home First Finance Company India Limited will take necessary action under the Provisions of the said Act against all or any one or more of the secured assets including taking possession of secured assets of the borrowers, mortgagors and the guarantors. The power available to the **Home First Finance Company India Limited** under the said act include (1) Power to take possession of the secured assets of the borrowers/guarantors including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment of sale for releasing secured assets (2) Take over management of the secured assets including rights to transfer by ways of lease, assignment or sale and realize the secured assets and any transfer as of secured assets by **Home First Finance Company India Limited** shall vest in all the rights and relation to the secured assets transferred as it the transfer has been made by you.

In terms of the Provisions of the Section 13(13) of the said act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the normal course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to above and hypothecated/mortgaged to the Home First Finance Company India Limited without prior consent of the **Home First Finance Company India Limited.**

Place: Bangalore, **Signed by: AUTHORISED OFFICER,**
Date: 27/03/2021 **Home First Finance Company India Limited**

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Dean, Academic - Undergraduate Studies, **BITS** Pilani.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform that, Sri. Manjunath T.R. (PAN BDUPM6854N) aged about 59 years, residing at No.745, 37th F Cross, 16th Main Road, Jayanagar 4th T Block, Bangalore - 560041, has claimed the Deposit of his father Late Sri. Ramesh T.M. and mother Late Smt. Sampigamma G.V. at our branch, and they have nominated their daughter Late Smt. Shobha Murthy. Both the Depositors and nominee are deceased in different dates, and the deposit still exists with the Bank. If any person have any objection regarding this claim, you may contact the Bank within 15 days from the date of this public Notice.

In case no objections/claim is received from any one within Fifteen Days from the date of this notification we will make the payment of Deposit amount of Late Sri.Ramesh T.M. and Late Smt. Sampigamma G.V. to the claimant Sri. Manjunath T.R.

The National Co-operative Bank Ltd. Jayanagar 5th Block Branch, Bengaluru-560041. Phone No.: 080-26650030/ 40.

Sd/- Branch Manager,

THE BHARAT CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

No. 981, 12th A Main Road, 15th A Cross Sector A, Phase 3, Yelahanka, Opp to BOB, Bengaluru - 560064

POSSESSION NOTICE See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **The Bharat Co-Op Bank Ltd, Yelahanka Branch, Bangalore,** under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantor / Mortgagors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules on **22.03.2021**

The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors in particular and the Public in General are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charges of the **The Bharat Co-Op Bank Ltd, Yalahanka Branch, Bangalore,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor :
1. Ramakrishnappa S/o Late Papayya No.830, 15th 'B' Cross, EWS II Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru North.
Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.26,26,711/-(Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Eleven Only) as on 23/12/2020 and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 08/01/2021
Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Municipal No.723/830, EWS (Old No.830), 2nd Phase, Sector "B", Yelahanka New Township, Bangalore North, measuring East to West 20 feet and North to South 30 feet and bounded by the following boundaries. East: House No.831 West: House No.829, North: Road, South; EWS Houses.

2.Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor :
1. Mr. Somashekar D K, 20th Ward, Puttappana Gudi Beedi, Channarayapatna Road, Devanahalli, Bangalore-562110.
Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 25,63,447/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred Forty Seven Only) as on **23/12/2020** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 08/01/2021
Description of the Immovable Property: **SCHEDULE I:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Khaneshumari Katha No.1676/299/43, Puttappana Gudi Beedi, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District and measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet consisting of Ground Floor and bounded by the following boundaries. East : Site No.5, West: Government Road, North: Site No.44, South: Site No.42.
SCHEDULE II: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Khaneshumari Katha No.1677/299/44, Puttappana Gudi Beedi, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District and measuring East to West 8.97+9.69 feet and North to South 12.19+12.19/2 feet and bounded by the following boundaries. East:Site No.4, West: Government Road, North : Karab Land, South: Site No.43 .

Date : 22.03.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **The Bharat Co-Op Bank Ltd.**

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Dy. General Manager (DO) **DIPR-06063/11/0040/2021**

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Govindarajanagar Division, 2nd Floor, Shakthi Soudha, 13th Cross, 4th B Main, M.C. Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru.

No.EE(GRN)/TN/GL-26/2020-21 **Date: 26.03.2021**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Govindarajanagara Division, invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for the work detailed in the table below:

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	SINGLE COVER WORKS	
	WORKS RESERVED FOR SCHEDULE CASTE(SC) CATEGORY	
1	Construction of Health Centre Building works in Ward No. 105.	50.00
2	Providing Additional works to BBMP PU college in Kaveripura of Ward No. 103.	50.00
3	Construction of Watchman Shed, Electrical Works and other allied works at Nachiketa Park Badminton Court in Marenahalli, Ward No. 125.	50.00
	WORKS RESERVED FOR SCHEDULE TRIBES(ST) CATEGORY	
4	Development of Roads, Drains and Footpath in Ranganathpura, Srinivasanagar and Kaveripura Ward No. 103.	50.00
	WORKS RESERVED FOR GENERAL CATEGORY	
5	Providing Housekeeping services and security services for BBMP Building Palike Soudha in Ward No. 104, Govindarajanagara.	18.00
6	Providing additional works to Dry Waste Collection Centre at Kalyananagar in Ward No. 127.	25.00
7	Construction of Samudaya Bhavana and Ashwattha Katte in Rajeev Gandhi Slum in Ward No. 103.	50.00
8	Additional Works to Anjaneya temple at Sanjivininagara in Ward No. 127.	50.00
9	Providing CC Camera in Ward Jurisdiction in Ward No. 125.	50.00
10	Additional works to Sri Shaneshwara Swamy Temple and Ayyappa Swamy Temple at Arundathinagara in Ward No. 128.	50.00
11	Additional Works to Ambedkar Bhavan, MC Layout, Govindarajanagara Ward Notice 104.	50.00
12	Providing Balance work to Basket Ball Ground at Income tax Layout in Ward No. 128.	25.00
13	Construction of Additional rooms at Marenahalli Old Ward office, 16th Main, MC layout, in Ward No. 125.	50.00

EMD Declaration: as per FD order No. FD 675 EXP-12/2020. Dtd: 22.12.2020. **1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal **2)** Last date for uploading the filled proposals : **09.04.2021 upto 16:00 Hrs. 3)** Date of opening of Financial Proposals: **12.04.2021 at 16.00 Hrs.** Further details can be accessed from GoK e-procurement website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Govindarajanagara Division.

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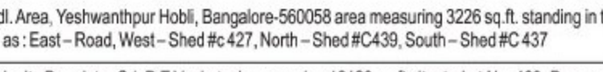

Goverment of Karnataka
HUBBALLI-DHARWAD BRTS COMPANY LIMITED (HDBRTSCO)

2nd Floor, B Block, NWKRTC New Bus Terminal Building New Court Road, Hubballi. Phone/Fax: +91-836 2322700
E-mail: hdbrts@gmail.com Website: www.hdbrts.co.in

CIN: U60200KA2012SGC063887

IFB No: HDBRTSCO/ADMIN/HK/HIRING/2020-21/835 Date: 26-03-2021

Short Term Tender Notification

Hubballi-Dharwad BRTS Company Limited (HDBRTSCO) has implemented 22.25km long high capacity Bus Rapid Transit System (BRTS) across the twin cities of Hubballi and Dharwad in the state of Karnataka, India under the Sustainable Urban Transport Project of the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India and the World Bank.

HDBRTSCO invites bids from qualified and experienced firms/ agencies with requisite supporting documents as per the bid document, substantiating qualification for **Request for Proposals for Hiring of Housekeeping and Lift Operators for Hubballi-Dharwad BRTS Bus Stations and Terminals.**

The bids are invited from eligible firms/agencies through E-procurement with supporting documentary evidences as provided in the bidding documents by **15-04-2021 by 17:00 Hrs. The bidding document can be downloaded from e-procurement portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-
Assistant Administrative Officer
Hubballi-Dharwad BRTS Co. Ltd.

DIPR/DWD/922/2020-21/DESHPANDEPUBLICITY

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Office of the Executive Engineer, Project Division, R.R. Nagara Zone, Bengaluru-560 098

No.: BBMP/EE/Proj/TEN/20/2020-2021 **Date: 25.03.2021**

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

Tenders are invited by the Executive Engineer (Project Division), RR Nagara Zone for the services mentioned below under the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 through electronic two cover tendering system (e-Procurement) in prescribed format form the registered agencies with I.T, E.S.I, P.F, Labour Department and other statutory authority of Government of Karnataka Organizations.

Sl. No.	Name of the Service	EMD in Rs.
1	Supply of Data Entry Operator Service for U.P.H.C. and C.H.C. Centers at Rajarajeshwari Nagara Constituency and Yeshwanthpura Constituency for 11 months for the year 2021-22.	60,000/-

Calendar of Events: (1) The tender document can be downloaded from the GOK e-Procurement (https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in) website. **(2)** Last date and time for Tender Queries and downloading the application: **03.04.2021** upto **4:00 p.m. (3)** Last date for submission of Tender document: **15.04.2021** upto **4:00 p.m. (4)** Opening of Financial Bid: **16.04.2021**, **4:00 p.m.** In the event of the specified date of tender opening being declared a holiday for the employer, the tenders will be opened at the appointed time and location on the next working day. Further details may be obtained from the above office, during office hours or website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

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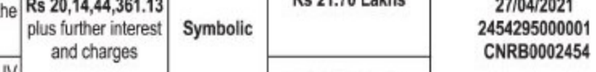

Tender Inviting Autority, Department of Mines & Geology

Office of the Director, No. 49, Khanija Bhavan, South Block, Race Course Road, Bengaluru - 560 001. Phone : 22384134/35

No. : DMG/STS/PC/2020-21 Date : 25.03.2021

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Bids are invited in Two Cover system from the eligible registered companies/firms/agencies for **providing services of photocopying through outsource** in the head office of Department of Mines & Geology at Bengaluru. Tender documents can be downloaded from the e-Procurement website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for submission of bids is **12.04.2021, 17.30 hrs.** Bids shall be submitted online through e-Procurement platform only.

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Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

Office of the Joint Commissioner, R. R. Nagara Zone, Bengaluru-560 098.

No:JC/RRN/TEN/22/2020-21 Date: 25-03-2021

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal)

The Joint Commissioner, R.R. Nagara Zone, BBMP, Bengaluru invites item rate tenders from eligible Contractors/firms registered in BBMP/KPWD/CPWD/Railways/MES/National Highway or any other equivalent/State Govt. organisation and license holders from labour department for the construction works and man power supply details in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Service	Approximate value of work (Rs.in lakhs)	EMD (in Rupees)
1.	**Supply of House Keeping Services for Health Department Offices (UPHC & CHC) Yeshwanthpura Constituency for 11 Months for the year 2021-22 from April 2021 to Jan 2022.**	24.25	50,000/-
2.	**Supply of House Keeping Services for Health Department Offices (UPHC & CHC) Rajarajeshwari Nagara Constituency for 11 Months for the year 2021-22 from April 2021 to Jan 2022.**	34.00	70,000/-

Calendar of Events: 1. Last Date & Time for Tender Queries and downloading the application: **03-04-2021 upto 4.00 p.m. 2.** Pre-bid meeting at the office of Joint Commissioner Office RR Nagara Zone: **09-04-2021 at 4.00 p.m. 3.** Last Date for Submission of Tender document: **15-04-2021 upto 4.00 p.m. 4.** Opening of Technical Bid: **16-04-2021 at 11.30 a.m. 5.** Opening of Financial Bid: **Will be intimated to the Technically Qualified Bidders.** In the event of the Specified Date of Tender Opening being declared a Holiday for the Employer, the Tenders will be opened at the Appointed Time and Location on the Next working Day. Further particulars can be obtained from the above office during working hours on working days or from **website: https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

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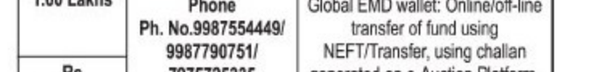

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Regional Office : Bengaluru – West

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

SALE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officers (details mentioned below) will be sold on the Basis of **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on 29.04.2021, between 11.00 am to 12.30 pm For Sl.No. 1 to 3 & between 11.00 am to 1.00 pm For Sl.No. 4 to 6** for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Canarabank.** E-auction arranged by service provider **Ms.canbank Computer Servics Ltd (www.indianbankseauction.com). For Sl.No. 1 to 3 & M/s Antares Systems Ltd, Bangalore For Sl.No. 4 to6**

SL NO	Details and full description of the immovable property with known encumbrances, if any: The details are as under: Name of the Borrowers/Guarantors Description of the movable / immovable assets:	Loan amount due	Possession Type	1) Reserve Price 2) EMD In Amount	1) Last Date of Deposit of EMD 2) EMD A/c Number 3) IFSC Code	Incremental value at the Bid In INR	Branch Name/Authorized Officer / Service Provider name and contact number	Account details for remitting EMD And IFSC Code
1	**1) Mrs.Mamatha** No.95/20, Mallathahalli Village Behind Narayan E Techno school Jnanabharathi, Bangalore - 560056 **Property on Sale:** All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No 95/20, BBMP Khata No 246/95/201/1, Out of Sy No 95/20 situated at Malathahalli village, YeshwanthapuraHobli, Bangalore North taluk, Bangalore presently under the Administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.129 measuring East to West 30.00 ft and North to South 24.00 ft totally measuring 720 sqft bounded on the East by : Road West by : Remaining portion of the property No.95/2 North by : Property belonging to Sri Narayanappa South by : Property belonging to Sri Mayanna	Rs 60,92,000/- plus further interest and charges	Physical	Rs. 61,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty one lakhs Rs. 6,10,000/-	28.04.2021 0411295000001 CNRB0000411	Rs. 25,000/-	Rajajinagar III Block Branch Phone 080-23151260 Mobile-9483530411	Transfer of EMD amount to Bidder Global EMD wallet: Online/off-line transfer of fund using NEFT/Transfer, using challan generated on e-Auction Platform.
2	**1a) Nagarathana B M** 21/6 2nd Main Road Chamundeshwari Layout Dodda Bommasandra North Vidyaranyapur Bangalore-560097. **B) Ramanjinappa Devaraj (Guarantor)** 21/6 2nd Main Road Chamundeshwari Layout Dodda Bommasandra North Vidyranyapur Bangalore – 560097. **Property on Sale:** All that part and parcel of residential purpose converted land Khata No. 47/2, situated at NO 17,WARD NO 10, Ganesh Temple Road,2nd Cross,1st Main, Chamundeshwari Layout Doddabommasandra Bangalore – 560097 having total area 1200 sq.feet owned by Nagarathna B M bounded on: On the east by: site no 18 On the west: 30 feet wide road On the North by: site no 16 On the south by: 30 feet wide road	Rs.97,93,347.00 /- plus further interest and charges	Symbolic	Rs. 85,00,000/- (Rupees Eighty five lakhs Rs. 8,50,000/-	28.04.2021 0886295000001 CNRB0000886	Rs. 50,000/-	Mahalakshmi layout branch Phone 080-234190884 , Mobile-7259031832	Transfer of EMD amount to Bidder Global EMD wallet: Online/off-line transfer of fund using NEFT/Transfer, using challan generated on e-Auction Platform.
3	**1) a) SmtSumana Ramesh(Partner & Guarantor of Enolar systems)** W/O Sri P K Ramesh No 1567 7th Cross Govindaraja Nagar Bangalore 560079 **b)Sri P K Ramesh** S/o Late P W Krishna Iyengor(partner & Guarantorof Enolar systems) S/o Late P.W Krishna Iyengor No 1567 7th cross Govindraja Nagar Bangalore 560079. **Property on Sale:** All that part and parcel of residential site no 11 Katha No 313/C Global Village Road Pattanagere (Near Essar Petrol Bunk & Med Plus)Rajarajeshwarinagar Bangalore 560098 Site Area 1080 sqft. Boundary :North by Road South By Property of Siddahanumaiah and Bhadramma East By Property Of N Ramesh and West /by Property of Siddananjappa	Rs.56,28,051/- plus further interest and charges	Symbolic	Rs.1,08,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Eight lakhs 10,80,000/-	28.04.2021 0886295000001 CNRB0000886	Rs. 50,000/-	Mahalakshmi layout branch Phone 080-234190884 , Mobile-7259031832	Transfer of EMD amount to Bidder Global EMD wallet: Online/off-line transfer of fund using NEFT/Transfer, using challan generated on e-Auction Platform.
4	**1)M/s Growell Cnc Systems** C-438, A Main, 1st Stage Peenya Industrial Area Bengaluru- 560058 **New Building :** No. 463, Peenya IV Phase industrial area Sy. No. 46 of Nalakaderenahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk - 560058 **2) Sri. D T Venakatesh** S/o Sri. A T Thimmaiah 4th Block, Ramakrishna Nagar, Nandini Layout Bengaluru-560096 **Property on Sale: (1)** Factory Land & Building at # C-438, I Stage Peenya Indl. Area, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore-560058 area measuring 3226 sq.ft. standing in the name of the unit represented by its Proprietor, Sri. D T Venkatesh and bounded as : East – Road, West – Shed #c 427, North – Shed #C439, South – Shed #C 437 **(2)** Industrial land and Building standing in the name of the unit, represented by its Proprietor Sri. D T Venkatesh measuring 12120 sq ft situated at No. 463, Peenya IV Phase industrial area in Sy. No. 46 of Nalakaderenahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk-560058, and bounded as: East – Remaining portion of Plot #463 retained by the vendor, West - Plot #464, North – Plot #456, South – KIADB Road	Rs 20,14,44,361.13 plus further interest and charges	Symbolic	Rs 217.00 Lakhs Rs 21.70 Lakhs Rs 963.00 Lakhs Rs 96.30 Lakhs	27/04/2021 2454295000001 CNRB0002454	Rs 1.00 Lakhs Rs 1.00 Lakhs	SME Peenya Branch, Phone Ph. No.9987554449/ 9987790751/ 7975725335	Transfer of EMD amount to Bidder Global EMD wallet: Online/off-line transfer of fund using NEFT/Transfer, using challan generated on e-Auction Platform.
5	**1)M/s Rima Transformers and Conductors Pvt Ltd.** No.18 D 2nd Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Bangalore – 560058. **2) Sri. Diwakar M Shetty** S/o Mahabala Shetty M/s Rima Transformers and Conductors Pvt Ltd. No.18 D 2nd Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Bangalore – 560058. **3) Smt. Rekha Diwakar Shetty M/s Rima Transformers and Conductors Pvt Ltd.** No.18 D 2nd Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Bangalore – 560058. **4) Sri. Ritesh D Shetty S/o Diwakar M Shetty M/s Rima Transformers and Conductors Pvt Ltd.** No.18 D 2nd Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Bangalore – 560058. **5) Smt. Rima S Hegde M/s Rima Transformers and Conductors Pvt Ltd.** No.18 D 2nd Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Peenya, Bangalore – 560058. **Property on Sale: (1)** Property bearing Site No 595, 8th Block, Sri M Vishweshwaraiya Layout (Gidadakonenahalli Sy No 40) Bengaluru – 560091 measuring East to West 24.00 mtr and North to South 15.00 mtr totally measuring 360 mtr. Boundaries of the site: East : Site No 561 and 560 West : Road North : Site No 594 South: Site No 596 **(2)** Property bearing Flat No. B-307, B Block, 3rd Floor, "Premier Grihalakshmi" Apartment, No. 13/2, Subrotto Mukherjee Road, Jalahalli West, Bangalore - 560015 measuring 653 sq. ft. in the name of Mr. Diwakar M Shetty	Rs 19,22,37,032.02 plus further interest and charges	Symbolic	Rs 180.00 Lakhs Rs 18.00 Lakhs Rs 21.00 Lakhs Rs 2.10 Lakhs	27/04/2021 2454295000001 CNRB0002454	Rs 1.00 Lakhs Rs Rs. 50,000/-	SME Peenya Branch, Phone Ph. No.9987554449/ 9987790751/ 7975725335	Transfer of EMD amount to Bidder Global EMD wallet: Online/off-line transfer of fund using NEFT/Transfer, using challan generated on e-Auction Platform.
6	**1) M/s Augmentix Engineering Pvt Ltd** No 5-A KIADB Industrial Area Phase I, Kumbalagodu, Bengaluru – 560 074 **2) Mr. Guruprasad M S (Director)** C/o 5-A, KIADB Industrial Area, Phase I, Kumbalagodu, Bangalore – 560074 **3) Mrs. Usha C (Director)** No 242, 5th C Main, REMCO Layout, Vijayanagar, Bangalore – 560040 **4) Mr. M K Somashekara (Guarantor)** No 242, 5th C Main, REMCO Layout, Vijayanagar, Bangalore – 560040 **Property on Sale:** Land and Building in the name of Sri. M.K.Soma Shekara situated at No 10 (Old No 242) 5th E Main, REMCO Layout, Hampinagar, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru 560 040 measuring 1222.50 Sq ft and bounded as : East : Plot # 242/A West: Plot # 241 North: Plot # 243 South : Road	Rs 1,06,94,204.12/- plus further interest and charges	Symbolic	Rs 151.00 Lakhs Rs 15.10 Lakhs	27/04/2021 2454295000001 CNRB0002454	Rs. 50,000/-	SME Peenya Branch, Phone Ph. No.9987554449/ 9987790751/ 7975725335	Transfer of EMD amount to Bidder Global EMD wallet: Online/off-line transfer of fund using NEFT/Transfer, using challan generated on e-Auction Platform.

Other terms and conditions: a) Auction/bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the respective website **www.indianbankseauction.com.** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. b) The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. c) For downloading further details, Process, Compliance and terms & conditions, Please visit :.**https://www.canarabank.com,** Website address of our e-Auction service provider: and **www.indianbankseauction.com** Bidder may visit **www.indianbankseauction.com** where "Guidelines" for bidders are available with educational videos. Bidders have to complete following formalities well in Advance: **Step 1:** Bidder/purchaser Registration: Bidder to register on e-auction Platform (link given above) using his mobile number and email id, **Step 2:** KYC Verification: Bidder to upload requisite KYC documents. KYC documents shall be verified by e-auction service provider (may take 2 working days).Please note that Steps should be completed by bidder well in advance, before e-Auction date. Indenting bidders shall hold a valid digital signature certificate and email address. Bids shall be submitted through online procedure only. e) After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **28.04.2021 ,5.00 pm, to Canara Bank, Regional Office WEST, Bengaluru** by hand or by email. **(roblrwrec@canarabank.com)** i) Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. iii) Bidders Name, Contact No, Address, E Mail Id. f)).The bidder who submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. g) The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorised Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. **h) For sale proceeds of Rs.50,00,000/- (Fifty Lakh Only) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at the rate 1% on the Sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the Bank.** i) All charges for conveyance, stamp duty/GST registration charges etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. j) Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof. k) In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the e-auction, they can approach concerned Circle office or contact branch who, as a facilitating centre, shall make necessary arrangements. l) For further details contact branches at the number given above.

Property Inspection date and time 28.04.2021 10.00am to 5.00pm

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION/CAUTION : Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest . Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully

Date: 26.03.2021 Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Canara Bank**

The CK Acchukattu police allegedly shot at a history-sheeter, Dhanush alias Dhadiya (24), wanted in a murder case, and nabbed him after he allegedly attacked them. A police probe revealed that he had killed another history-sheeter, Manjunath alias Dhadiya Manja (37)

THINK BIG, THINK VIRTUAL, THINKEDU

Ramesh Pokhriyal spoke about how the NEP will revolutionise the Indian education scene | Subhash Kak and Dushyanth Sridhar discussed the Indian epics and the science behind them | Watch ThinkEdu 2021 online on TNIE's website and all official social media channels

'2020 will go down as the year India got NEP'

The world may remember 2020 as the year that brought about COVID and a pandemic that rocked our lives but India will remember the year for another reason, said Ramesh Pokhriyal, Union Education Minister. "While 2020 will be known as the year of COVID-19, it will also be known as the year when India launched the NEP amid a pandemic," Pokhriyal said. He was delivering the inaugural address at the ninth edition of the ThinkEdu Conclave 2021.

Prior to Pokhriyal's address, TNIE Editorial Director Prabhu Chawla spoke about how far ThinkEdu has come over the last nine years. He said, "We step into our ninth edition with mixed emotions — happiness for hosting eight epic editions and sorrow for being coerced into hosting this edition virtually only due to COVID. We have sparked debates and even generated controversies. This year, we have brought illuminating discussions and conversations about new ideas from India's finest thinkers — scientists, businessmen and storytellers. And all of it to discuss lessons for a new world — a world where education will set us apart."

Even when the rest of the world had foregone a year, India ensured that around 33 crore students were given education online

Ramesh Pokhriyal

In his address, Pokhriyal reflected on India's rich past and how the NEP aims to restore some of the lost glory. "Among the various things that the NEP is set to transform, it will aim to make India more self-reliant, unite the citizens and also help make India a global knowledge superpower. We want to ensure students at the grassroots and also at the higher echelons of academia are exposed to quality education," Pokhriyal said.

Speaking about Indian universities making it to the Top 100 of the QS Rankings, Pokhriyal added, "Students usually prioritise higher salary packages as an estimate of their potential. But after the NEP is implemented, we will have more patents by tapping into our capacity for academic probe and research. This year, 12 Indian institutions have made it to the Top 100 in QS Rankings and in the future, more Indian research institutes will be represented internationally. For this purpose, academic research will receive funding of ₹50,000 crore over five years."

Elaborating on his vision for the NEP, Pokhriyal explained, "Through the NEP, we will not only find and develop talent but help produce top-notch content. Without quality content, talent doesn't have much worth. When content and talent will unite, it will lead to new patents. That is the day when India will become truly self-reliant. NEP is the foundation on which India's future development, as envisioned by the Prime Minister, is based. NEP is national as well as international. It is impactful, interactive, innovative and inclusive."

The science that's behind Indian epics

I realised that the last 80 years have been quite problematic in India. We are teaching Indians through the Western gaze

Dr Subhash Kak, Computer Scientist

Indian universities need an ecosystem for critical examination of thought which will help study ancient Indian texts and theories better, said Indian-American computer scientist Dr Subhash Kak. He was speaking at The New Indian Express' ThinkEdu Conclave 2021. Dr Kak discussed the role of the epics and the science behind them with Indic scholar Dushyanth Sridhar and Senior Journalist Kaveree Bamzai.

Dr Kak said that Indian universities would probably not take up a management course that takes its inspiration from the *Bhagavad Gita*. "The ecosystem that we need for critical examination of thought does not exist to the degree it should. There are a lot of outstanding people in Indian universities but there is a desire to be validated by the West," said Dr Kak.

Subhash Kak and Sridhar

But it's not just about science. The epics themselves are more lively than whatever we have probably read, added Sridhar. "The very art of storytelling of all our scriptures gave me the opportunity to draw a beautiful canvas," said Sridhar, adding that the multitude of characters and the variety of emotions are there in these books because India was an advanced civilisation in those days.

'A bit of rebelliousness is good, Swami was one'

Referring to students of a certain elite Indian institution who have written in favour of freedom of expression, Makarand R Paranjape, Director, Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla, said, "As if all that is important is to preserve some artificial notion of freedom of expression to the extent that you have turned the entire institution into a platform to attack a particular ideology, party or leader. Swami Vivekananda is saying that this is not the purpose of education, it is to know yourself deeply." Accompanying him in the session titled *Swami Vivekananda: The Modernity of Tradition* was S Vaidhyasubramaniam, Vice-Chancellor, SASTRA Deemed-to-be University, while Prabhu Chawla, TNIE's Editorial Director and Senior Journalist Kaveree Bamzai chaired the session.

The foundation of Indian pedagogy was a deep inquiry into the self. This ought to result in a transformation, not just in the narrow sense but that of personality and character

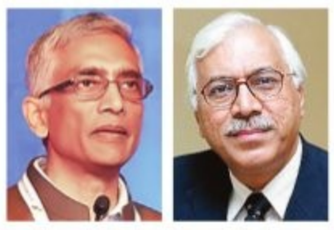
Makarand Paranjape

Vaidhyasubramaniam proceeded to highlight his views on the purpose of education, which he said was to, "create enlightened individuals who can understand India and present India to the world as India gains the leadership position." Having set that as the backdrop, he asked Paranjape what was his idea of Indian education. "The foundation of Indian pedagogy was a deep inquiry into the self. This ought to result in a transformation, not just in the narrow sense but that of personality and character," he said and added, "I have taught at JNU for 20 years. We see the kind of youth we are producing today, some people even called them the 'Tukde-Tukde Gang'. A bit of rebelliousness is good because even Swamiji was a rebel. But somehow, the idea is that young people should be rebellious in a certain manner, which is irreverent and produces a certain kind of individual."

When Chawla asked Paranjape how we can dismantle the Indian education that has been enslaved by the West, the latter pointed out how Swamiji embraced the fact that the West, in terms of science and technology, was progressive.

Paranjape and Dr Vaidhya

Job of an IAS officer never goes stale



Parameswaran Iyer and S Y Quraishi

Former Water Secretary and Sanitation Specialist Parameswaran Iyer and former Chief Election Commissioner and Writer S Y Quraishi sat down with Kaveree Bamzai to discuss their experiences in the IAS and why young people today should opt for the IAS as a career, during the ThinkEdu Conclave 2021.

Quraishi says that the IAS is a unique institution and an extremely important service, "An IAS officer has to always be on their feet," he said, "There is no substitute to grassroot work. My grassroot-level work helped me while I worked at the World Bank." On what advice they would give to aspiring IAS officers, Iyer said that it was a fascinating career and one has the opportunity to make an impact on the ground and that no other profession offers that opportunity. "Every officer goes through a remarkable journey and they transform the lives of people on the ground," he said. Quraishi added that after all these years, he would still choose the profession over anything else.

Court: Why shouldn't Pondy polls be deferred?

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TWO days after the Madras High Court pulled up the Election Commission of India over allegations of Puducherry BJP unit accessing private details of voters, the court on Friday questioned why shouldn't elections in the UT be deferred until the investigation on the matter was completed.

During the hearing, the ECI's counsel submitted before the first bench of Chief Justice Sanjib Banerjee and Justice Senthilkumar Ramamoorthy that a show-cause notice was issued to the BJP's Puducherry unit seeking a reply. The ECI also said that the cyber crime police are also investigating the matter.

The bench further directed the ECI to file a detailed report with the queries by March 31.

The issue pertains to A Anand, president of the Puducherry unit of the Democratic Youth Foundation of India (DYFI), alleging that local BJP candidates had obtained phone numbers from the Unique Identification Authority of India and were creating WhatsApp groups for campaigning. The petitioner had stated that 952 such groups were formed for campaigning purpose, apart from receiving calls canvassing the voters.

Taking note of the petitioner's submissions that there has been harassment due to the filing of the same, and that campaigning messages have not stopped yet in the UT, the bench observed that the issue required a serious investigation and asked why the ECI should not defer the polls until then. "We are not undermining your authority, but the ECI should keep a check on all the parties, those who are in power and those who are not."

BJP national president J P Nadda attends an election campaign on NSC Bose Road in Chennai on Friday. Also seen is BJP national general secretary C T Ravi | MARTIN LOUIS

ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2021 DECIDE

BJP promises to confer special status on UT

Puducherry: Taking a leaf out of the 2019 Jammu & Kashmir chapter, the BJP on Friday promised special Union Territory status for Puducherry in its election manifesto. The party promised to increase devolution of funds from 25 per cent to 40 per cent as done in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir, to ensure development. The manifesto, prepared after taking suggestions from 50,000 people, was released by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday. **ENS**

'Make sure Covid norms are followed during polls'

Chennai: "Brace for a worst-case scenario," warned the Madras High Court on Friday, while directing the Election Commission of India to ensure strict compliance of Covid protocol. The first bench of Chief Justice Sanjib Banerjee and Justice Senthilkumar Ramamoorthy also directed the Tamil Nadu government to assist the ECI in ensuring strict compliance with Covid-19 safety measures. The orders were passed while disposing of a plea moved by Thondan Subramani, a lawyer. **ENS**

Indiscriminate soil digging poses danger to Hampi monuments

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MONUMENTS in the World Heritage Site of Hampi are facing a new kind of threat with villagers on the periphery of the historical town utilising soil from near the hillocks for construction work, much to the chagrin of heritage lovers. Some local road contractors were lifting the soil near a hillock recently, and after some residents alerted the authorities, it was stopped.

Activists now demand that such activity be stopped immediately before it causes any damage to the monuments. There are several areas where the slightest vibrations from quarrying or movement of heavy vehicles can potentially damage old monuments. Keeping the interest of heritage structures in mind, soil lifting should be banned, they said. Locals point out that the soil is mixed with thin sand, and the mixture is used in several civic works, including road construction.

"The soil holds the boulders and any kind of disturbance is not good for monuments. There have also been attempts at stone quarrying around Hampi, which must be stopped," rued a resident.

Krishnadevaraya, scion of the erstwhile royal family from Anegundi, said that there has been a long-pending demand to stop quarrying activities in the vicinity of Hampi. "Many times, officials do not take proper steps. They must take such incidents seriously," he felt.

'Set up special task force'

Heritage lovers have demanded that a special task force be constituted to ensure that no such activities take place in and around Hampi. After incidents of vandalism of monuments surfaced, CCTV cameras were put up at many points. But the World Heritage Site area is vast and there are many places where sand or soil can be lifted. Hence, establishing a separate force could help stop such incidents, they reasoned.

EXPRESS READ

Mahadayi row: JIC members to submit separate reports

Belagavi: The ongoing tussle between Karnataka and Goa over the Mahadayi project has taken a new turn with the Joint Inspection Committee (JIC) unable to come to a consensus on drawing up a report to be submitted to the Supreme Court before April 4. Sources said that the member representing Goa and senior officials from the coastal state reportedly did not endorse the report prepared by Karnataka's water resources department on the ground situation at the Kalasa-Banduri site in Kanakumbi. Even the member from Maharashtra decided to submit a report separately, sources added. Interestingly, all the three states are now expected to submit separate reports of their own. **ENS**

Kerala govt to probe Central agencies

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IN an unprecedented move, the state government on Friday decided to launch a judicial inquiry against the central agencies investigating the gold smuggling and related cases. The cabinet meeting decided to appoint retired High Court judge K V Mohanan as the chairman of the commission.

The surprise decision has come when only 10 days are left for the assembly elections. The government hardened its stance against the central agencies after the Crime Branch registered a case against the Enforcement Directorate (ED).

The commission will have the mandate to inquire whether the central agencies' investigation into various cases have gone astray or beyond their mandate. The commission will also consider the investigation into the cases related to the voice clip purportedly of gold smuggling accused Swapna Suresh, a letter by Sarith P S and three other issues. The state government move is clearly aimed at ED officials involved in the investigation. The voice clip had revealed that Swapna was arm-twisted by ED sleuths to implicate the chief minister in the case.

The commission will examine if anyone had forced Swapna to give a statement against the CM. If yes, who had exerted pressure on her and whether there was any conspiracy. The commission will file its report to the state government suggesting the steps to be taken in case there was a conspiracy.

Chennakeshava idol unearthed in Halebelur

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A 4.5 ft-tall idol of Chennakeshava was unearthed when sand was being mined near Halebelur village in Sakleshpur taluk on Thursday. The idol from the Hoysala era is similar to the one at the famous Chennakeshava temple in Belur. The right side of the idol is slightly damaged. The driver of the earthmover, being used to mine sand, fled when he saw the idol. The news of idol's discovery spread fast and villagers rushed to the spot and moved it to safety. Later, they installed it in front of a temple in the village, where people started offering puja to it.

The Chennakeshava idol was found when sand was being mined in Sakleshpur taluk

Tahsildar H B Jayaraj, SI Basavaraj and Halebelur Gram Panchayat president Kumar visited the spot. Siddegowda, head of the village, said that Belur Chennakeshava Temple too was built during the Hoysala dynasty.

Villagers urged the officials of the archeology department to allow them to keep the idol inside the temple. They asked officials to conduct research to find out why the idol was buried on the banks of the Hemavathi river. The taluk officials have submitted a detailed report to the deputy commissioner, who will take a decision in this regard.

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EDITORIAL

"The most crushing indictment of this Education (in India) is the fact that it destroys, in the great majority of those upon whom it is inflicted, all capacity for the appreciation of Indian culture

Ananda Coomaraswamy (in 1908)

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— Ramnath Goenka

TAKING NANO STEPS TO EXPLORE CBMs WITH PAKISTAN

A short message of greetings Prime Minister Narendra Modi sent to his counterpart Imran Khan to mark Pakistan Day added to the basket of small positive gestures from both sides to reduce friction ever since their militaries announced ceasefire along the Line of Control. That not a shot has been fired across the LoC since the February 25 joint statement, making it the most peaceful four weeks there for over five years, indicates mutual resolve to make the border tranquil. But the real test will come when the snow melts and the terrain becomes conducive for pushing in terrorists across the LoC into J&K. As of now, terror launch pads on the Pakistani side are very much intact, according to Army Chief Gen M M Naravane. If and only if the terror infra is dismantled will Pakistan Army Chief Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa's recent dovish statement on both sides burying the past and moving forward hold any value. As Modi said in his letter, "an environment of trust, devoid of terror and hostility, is imperative ... for cordial relations with the people of Pakistan."

For much of Imran's tenure at the helm, both heads of state have not been on talking terms, one reason being his incendiary rhetoric vilifying Modi and his party. He no longer speaks that language. From the BJP's side, demonising Pakistan to rustle up a nationalism cocktail in the run up to the current state polls is significantly missing. Going forward, restoring bilateral diplomacy to the level of the high commissioner—downgraded in the wake of India ending Kashmir's special status in August last—would be an important confidence-building measure.

There has been ample speculation on why Pakistan softened its approach, with reports suggesting the UAE was the facilitator. Also, since the global anti-terror watchdog Financial Action Task Force is breathing down its neck, the pressure on Islamabad to clean up its act to get foreign aid is very real. Another reason is its prepping for power play in Afghanistan if an interim government is formed, as suggested by the US. As for India, it is understandably wary. But restoring full normalcy in J&K and announcing elections could open the window of opportunity wider.

DOES LANKA MATTER IN T.N. POLITICS?

The plight of Sri Lankan Tamils continues to be an election issue in Tamil Nadu, but only for the political class and not the voters. It continues to feature significantly in the manifestos of almost all regional parties. This isn't surprising as several 'firebrand' leaders of Tamil nationalism have eked out a political career in the state simply by harping on the issue. The harping hit national headlines in 1987, when the Indian government sent a peace-keeping force to Lanka. Since then, Tamils in the island nation have lived through a civil war, multiple armed conflicts and grave violation of human rights.

Now, India abstaining from a UN Human Rights Council vote on Sri Lanka has sparked political outrage in TN. The DMK and its allies have blamed the ruling parties in the Centre and state. The UN resolution was anyway passed, backed by 22 member states. It decided to collect and preserve evidence of war crimes in the country, committed by the Armed Forces and LTTE. Ahead of the vote, both the Lankan government and the Tamil National Alliance expressed hopes of obtaining India's support. Later, the foreign minister of Sri Lanka tweeted his thanks to even countries that had abstained from voting—including India.

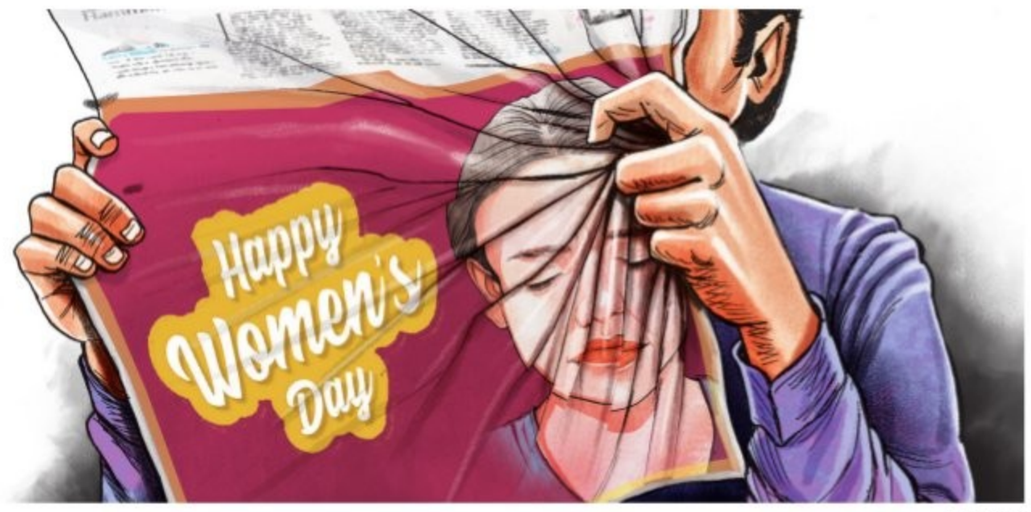
The outcome summarises the collective failure of regional parties of TN in influencing national policy on Lanka. Electorally too, Tamil nationalism has long stopped paying dividends. It did not help the AIADMK during the 2009 polls, when it highlighted Congress's failure to prevent the civil war's escalation. The inordinate delay in the release of Perarivalan and others convicted in the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case must also be seen in this light. Parties must find other ways to influence India's policy on Lanka. The effort to shift the dialogue from New Delhi and Colombo, to also include Chennai and Jaffna, must consider future aspirations of Tamil minorities in Lanka and expatriates in India. It must take into account the demand for justice while working on a roadmap for economic cooperation. Most importantly, reclaiming the debate from fringe groups that continue to sympathise with militancy would be a good start.

Despite celebrating March 8 as International Women's Day, India is still far away from achieving gender equality and its skewed sex ratio is deplorable

ARE WE TRULY CELEBRATING OUR WOMEN?

NANDITHA KRISHNA

Historian, environmentalist and writer based in Chennai



AMIT BANDRE

March 8 was International Women's Day, when women in the Soviet Union protested for the right to vote, which they obtained in 1917. Some countries celebrate March as Women's Month and some others as Women's History Month. International Women's Day is meant to uphold feminist values and celebrate womanhood, to recognise the achievements and contributions of women. Indians celebrate March 8 with events and awards to women achievers. Yet these are about educated, upper and middle class women. The rest are left out in the cold. India is still far away from achieving gender equality and its skewed sex ratio of 940 females per 1,000 males is deplorable.

More than half of the work done by women in India is unpaid and informal. Although women comprise almost 40% of agricultural labour, they control only 9% of the land. Nearly half of India's women do not own a bank account, and 60% own no assets, although the Supreme Court ruled that daughters have equal rights to Hindu family property. Indian women's contribution to the GDP—17%—is less than the global average of 37%. The IMF estimates that equal participation of women in the workforce could increase India's GDP by 27%. More than half of India's women do not own mobiles, and 80% of those who do are not connected to the internet. The Government of India's Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana scheme provides loans to non-corporate, non-farm small/micro enterprises: Women entrepreneurs account for about 78% of the total number of borrowers under Mudra, while Direct Benefit Transfers under the Jan Dhan Yojana seek to empower women. Yet Indian women are not empowered economically—no equal pay for equal work.

The biggest problem for women in India is physical insecurity. The rate of crimes against women in India stands at 53.9%. In Delhi, 92% of women reported having experienced sexual or physical violence in public areas. Violence against women is far more ubiquitous than it appears, as many forms of violence are not considered crimes or may go unreported. India is considered to be one of the world's most dangerous countries for sexual violence against women. Rape has become so common in India that, according to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), one woman is raped every 20 minutes. According to the latest data released by the NCRB, India recorded 88 rape cases every day in 2019. Women do not receive justice after rape because police do not give them a fair hearing or refuse to register an FIR, while medical evidence is often unrecorded, making it easy for offenders to get away.

I do not understand the male mindset that would forcibly molest or rape a woman or a child. Don't Indian parents teach their sons good values? Most rapes happen when girls go to the fields in the absence of a toilet. But as the Nirbhaya case showed, even a city girl waiting for a bus is not safe. It does not help when politicians blame the girl for staying out late or wearing Western outfits. It's none of their business. Their job is to provide safety for women.

Meanwhile, the coronavirus pandemic has increased the socio-economic drivers of early marriage, such as poverty and limited access to education. Covid-related school closures have interrupted the education of nearly 1.6 billion children worldwide. The 2013 outbreak of Ebola resulted in girls leaving school, followed by child marriages, which relieves the girl's family from economic stress. The loss of family income has been forcing Indian families to marry off young girls, perceived as a financial burden. A UNICEF report suggests that millions of underage girls are at risk of being forced into early marriages around the world due to the coronavirus pandemic. It is estimated that 1.5 million child brides get married every year in India alone, according to the United Nations. Since the pandemic began, I have been reading horror stories of young girls being married off to older men so that their unemployed parents may have one less mouth to feed.

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The Indian government is committed to education for all, and has passed the Right to Education Act to enable all children to get an education. In 2018, 13.5% of girls between the ages of 15 to 16 were out of school, as against more than 20% in 2008, according to the Annual Status of Education Report. Unfortunately, girls often drop out to look after younger siblings and help with housework, while the lack of toilets and safety are other concerns. Covid-19 is the latest villain. The proportion of schools with usable girls' toilets has doubled since 2010, reaching 66.4% in 2018, while schools with boundary walls increased by 13.4% to 64.4% in 2018. While the overall Indian literacy rate is 64.8%, the male literacy rate is 75.3% and that of females is 53.7%, a gap of 21.6 percentage points. The gap is greater in rural areas. However, there is no end in sight to this pandemic.

Education and economic independence are the only solution for women's empowerment. The pandemic has forced the closure of schools. One more year of this and Indian girls will be in the doldrums. Schools, colleges and training institutes must open in June, with protocols for wearing masks and social distancing, perhaps through smaller numbers in class and shift systems. Indians are innovative. If permitted to open, the schools will find a way. If they remain shut, we can only foresee more child labour and early childhood marriages, and the general debasement of women.

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DEBUNKING CLAIMS OF THE IDOL COLLECTING LOBBY

S VIJAY KUMAR

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The collecting lobby has used clever subterfuge to make us believe that there is a greater purpose to "collections", that they are fulfilling the higher motive of spreading connoisseurship and art appreciation. These new breed of art historians want the government to be concerned about access and not ownership, so that more can get the 'richest aesthetic experience possible'! They are thereby pedalling the myopic and jaundiced colonial mindset that museums (encyclopaedic museums to borrow the popular term now) and private collections are essentially the only saviours of history and for them to exist and flourish, they are campaigning for an open, unpoliced, unregulated and undocumented trade in the sacred.

The lobby has been engaging influencers in India, who have been trying to dilute the already toothless Antiquities and Art Treasures Act and create an "open market" for idols by dissolving the boundaries between the sacred and the profane, calling the sacred objects sensuous. Even an elementary scientific study of how these collections are put together shows that historical context has been destroyed for private greed and vanity, resulting in the destruction of our sacred sites. It has also reduced the great works of our ancestors to showpiece curios and made the immovable movable and the priceless priced.

The rot in the system has gone so deep that a few years ago, the photograph of sacred *koshta murthis* adorning an indoor swimming pool was used by an auction house to promote the sale of a private collection. To see these Gods who lined the circumambulatory passage of our sacred temples for thousands of years reduced to being showpieces lining a pool is no way "blending the past to the present" as claimed in the advertisement. It's dollar-driven greed that has destroyed the very essence of these sacred creations. Increasingly, the climate is changing in the Western world and they are now returning objects to their original abodes for them to fulfil the roles destined on them by the creators. On the other hand, in India, there is heavy lobbying to aid more collecting.

Below are the clever arguments being adopted by the collecting lobby to influence the ministry and public. Let me debunk some of the frivolous and sometimes blatantly false narratives to malign and dilute the Antiquities and Art Treasures Act.

1. 'The Act is cumbersome as it classifies any object over 100 years old as an antiquity': This is the international standard and Article 1(e) of the UN convention, which defines "cultural property" as antiquities over 100 years old.

2. 'The Act calls for compulsory registration of dealers and antiquities and is a time-consuming process': The registration form is a simple application that has to be filled with very basic details and a photograph. Regional registration centres were opened and are manned by specific officials with this task. Moreover with current IT-empowered technology, this can be further simplified.

3. 'The government can forcibly acquire any object by using this Act based on the registration process': If and only if the Central government is of the "opinion that it is desirable to preserve any antiquity or art treasure in a public place, that government may make an order for the compulsory acquisition of such antiquity or art treasure". The local collector is then empowered to take possession of the artefact but only after giving written notice to the owner. Further the owner has 30 days to file his objection with the government. From the time of the adoption of the Act in 1977, not a single forcible acquisition has been done and there has been no challenge.

4. 'The government will not pay the correct price for such acquisition': The act clearly (Sec 20) talks of compensation—the first being the mutually agreed price and if no agreement is reached, the act provides for the appointment of an arbitrator (in the rank of judge of a High Court) and also the employment of the services of a domain/subject expert to assist in the process.

5. 'The government will acquire ancestral under-worship deities': The Act clearly exempts this as per Sec 19(7): "The power of compulsory acquisition conferred by this section shall not extend to any object, being an antiquity or art treasure, used for bona fide religious observances."

6. 'Once registered, an artefact cannot be sold within India': Sec 17 of the Act clearly mentions that "whenever any person transfers the ownership, control or possession of any antiquity specified in any notification ..., such person shall intimate, within such period and in such form as may be prescribed, the fact of such transfer to the registering officer."

7. 'The Act was useless as it has not helped to curb smuggling': This is true but the problem is not in the act but in the lack of clarity over the enforcing agency. The ASI is purely seen as a custodian of declared heritage sites and is not empowered with policing authority.

8. 'The Act could not even help register even 5% of antiquities in India': This is true but once again the issue was not with the Act, which gave enough time for voluntary registration with bona fide credentials—as to how the dealer came in possession of the artefact. Unfortunately many of the current dealers operate in the grey.

India could do well to look outwards at how other 'source' nations and 'market' nations are working towards strengthening the legal framework, laws and regulations to regulate this market for antiquities. We shall see them in the next column.

(The India Pride Project's #BringOurGodsHome initiative has helped bring many stolen idols back to our country)
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Koshta murthis adorning an indoor swimming pool in an advertisement for a collection that was put up for sale by an auction house | INDIA PRIDE PROJECT VOLUNTEERS

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Stick to Covid protocols

India is reportedly witnessing the world's highest Covid contact rate, with an infected person spreading the virus to another every two days. One cause seems to be poll-bound states where Covid protocols are heavily flouted. Leaders must ensure party workers stick to protocols.

Dr George Jacob, Kochi

The rate of spread

As the number of cases keeps rising rapidly, we need to get a better idea of the rate of the spread. We must know not just the daily cases tested positive, but also other details about testing.

M Balakrishnan, Bengaluru

LDF's cunningness to win

This is with reference to *Bogus voters put Kerala poll under a cloud* (Mar 26). There seem to be 4.34 lakh bogus names in the electoral roll published for the Kerala Assembly polls. The cunningness of the LDF to win the election by hook or crook is out in the open.

S Lakshmi, email

Bogus voters in poll rolls

The presence of bogus voters in the electoral rolls has put the entire Kerala poll process under suspicion. The privilege of the voter to choose has been cruelly encroached upon. All those involved should be brought to book.

T P Kurian, Kandanad

EC must be vigilant

The Election Commission has agreed to do the needful on the issue of bogus voters. As the voting date is fast approaching, door-to-door verification is not possible. So the EC must be vigilant while the voters cast their ballots.

S Chockalingam, Kottaram

One person, one vote

Such a huge number of bogus voters has the potential to tilt the balance in a good number of keenly contested constituencies. It is up to the EC to uphold the cardinal principle of one person, one vote to ensure the sanctity of the electoral process.

C G Kuriakose, Kothamangalam

The art of persuasion

This is with reference to *Transforming organisations: Assess capacity for change* (Mar 26). Each employee's vision is based on the six lenses mentioned. The article intelligibly analysed the art of persuasion and conversation.

C Ghanshyam, Visakhapatnam

Useless enticements

The way political parties announce freebies, sops and welfare measures are astounding. People only want good roads, drinking water and other civic amenities. But in order to outsmart one another, political parties promise useless enticements.

K Jayanthi, Chennai

Waiting decades for justice

Even during the days of monarchy, prompt delivery of justice was considered an important duty of the king. But in our democracy, people have to wait for decades to get justice. In this context, the CJI's suggestion to appoint ad-hoc judges merits attention.

R Kasthurirangan, Bengaluru

Horrifying hospital fires

The fire incident in a hospital in Mumbai where 10 patients died of suffocation is horrific. Such incidents are occurring with shocking regularity. The CM will order an enquiry and the whole thing will be forgotten till the next incident.

C Vijay Kumar, Bengaluru

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Dr Harsh Vardhan @drharshvardhan
AAP is the only party that has no ideology. It is a flock of few people whose only goal is to capture power at every cost

Alka Lamba @LambaAlka
Modi government says there is no inflation, there is no unemployment. But when the people say the opposite, then decide who is lying?

Prashant Bhushan @pbhushan1
SC saying anonymous Electoral Bonds need not be stayed, since they have been issued for last 3 years; is like saying rape should not be stopped now, since it has been going on for years!

ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2021 DECIDE

If elected to power, Assam Congress will not implement CAA. It will do its utmost to repeal CAA. Five lakh unemployed youth will be provided jobs in the public sector –Manmohan Singh, Congress

Rahul Gandhi is synonymous with tourism. He comes to Assam for two-three days and is not seen for five years. Maulana Badruddin Ajmal is synonymous with infiltration –Amit Shah, BJP

Economy has gone for a toss. There is no industrial growth. There is no growth except for Modiji's beard. At times he dresses like Tagore and at times likes Gandhiji – Mamata Banerjee, TMC

TMC banks on NRC & development to pull things back in Junglemahal

Ahead of first phase, BJP confident good show in 2019 Lok Sabha elections will continue

PRANAB MONDAL @ West Midnapore/Jhargram

West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee addresses a rally in the district of West Midnapore on Friday | BIBHASH LODH

INSIDE a small shop with a photo of Sonakshi Sinha on the wall, he is busy with customers, hurriedly recharging cell phones with cheap data plans in the nondescript Dharampur area in Junglemahal's Lalgarh. Called Junglemahal for the adjoining forests, this region of West Bengal goes to polls on Saturday.

Instrumental in throwing out the Left Front government in 2011 amid the Lalgarh movement featuring the tribal community backed by Maoists against police atrocities, Junglemahal is in the limelight again. BJP did exceptionally here in 2019. How or whether TMC can pull votes back in this region will play a role in determining the fate of Mamata Banerjee's government.

Gautam Patra was the face of the movement. Running a small mobile phone top-up business now, he was a Class IX student then and among the three arrested after the 'rebels' carried out a blast targeting the then Chief Minister Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee's convoy. He was released five days later following public uproar.

"Our arrests triggered the Lalgarh movement. This is the second Assembly elections after that," Patra says. Will there be another saffron storm in Junglemahal, like in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections? "Let's see," he replies with a smile.

Junglemahal is a backward region and part of at least four Lok Sabha seats and 25 Assembly constituencies dominated by tribal, Scheduled Caste and other backward class voters, who form 63 per cent of the total electorates. Their anger derailed CPI(M) and paved way for TMC. Two years ago, they welcomed BJP which won all five Lok Sabha seats from Junglemahal. The saffron camp secured lead in 19 of the 23 Assembly seats from the zone.

"There were two reasons why Junglemahal rejected TMC in 2019. Corruption and selection of a wrong candidate, who led a demonstration and burnt the effigy of the sitting TMC MP months before joining the ruling party. But this time, they have fielded Birbaha Hansda in Jhargram, who is not only known for her clean image but also a famous actress in tribal films. She is an acceptable face among Dalits," reckons Nitai Murmu, member of a tribal social body.

Things might have changed now. TMC has campaigned saying those who don't have papers will be made to suffer when the National Register of Citizens (NRC) is compiled. Poor and illiterate, many Junglemahal residents don't have land deeds. Also, there is discontent brewing against BJP.

"We voted for BJP in 2019 . But BJP leaders who came before polls disappeared after that. And despite us not voting for them, TMC leaders went door to door, apologising with folded hands for their misdeeds. They refunded cut-money to the beneficiaries of government schemes," says local resident Lalmohan Sardar. This image makeover has been strategic move by TMC after 2019. Going by the pulse on the ground, it may not have been a bad investment. Developmental projects like providing drinking water in the drought-hit area and bulding roads have also not gone unnoticed.

BJP's candidate in Jhargram Sukhmoy Satpati, however, is confident not only about his victory but also his party's in all of Junglemahal. "We will perform better than 2019," he said. Refuting his claim, Birbaha said the people of Junglemahal have taken a lesson from their 'wrong' decisions. "They have decided to renew their support in Mamata Banerjee. In this election, there will be no repeat of BJP's previous performance," she says. Junglemahal might just be in for another change.

PERFORMANCE IN JUNGLEMAHAL

PURULIA (9 SEATS) : 2016 Assembly polls: TMC 7, Congress 2; Lead in 2019: BJP 8, TMC 1

JHARGRAM (4 SEATS) : 2016 Assembly polls: TMC 4; Lead in 2019: BJP 3, TMC 1

WEST MIDNAPORE (6 SEATS) : 2016 Assembly polls: TMC 6; Lead in 2019: BJP 4, TMC 2

BANKURA (4 SEATS): 2016 Assembly polls: TMC 3, LF 1; Lead in 2019: BJP 4

TOTAL IN 30 SEATS: 2016 Assembly polls: TMC 27, Congress 2, LF 1; Lead in 2019: BJP 20, TMC 10

11 paramilitary personnel deployed per booth in Jhargram, highest for any election in Bengal so far

5,772 polling stations in Assam identified as vulnerable, critical and sensitive in the first phase of elections

Manmohan appeal to Assam voters

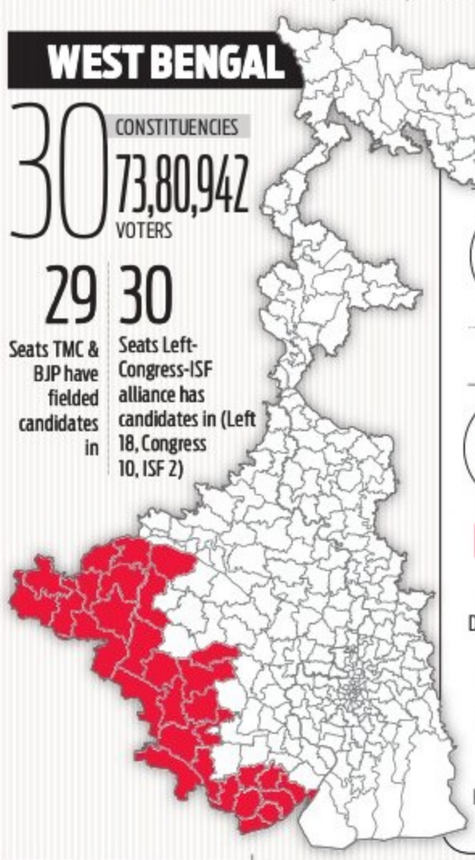
New Delhi: Former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh on Friday said that the society is being divided on the basis of religion, culture, language and citizens are denied basic rights. He said people must vote for a government that upholds the Constitution and the principles of democracy. In a video message to people in Assam, Singh said there is an atmosphere of tension and Assam Congress is committed to protecting the unique language, culture, and history of Assam.

BJP has none to match Didi: Sinha

Kolkata: Former Union minister and newly-appointed TMC vice president Yashwant Sinha said BJP has become "Borrowed Janata Party" and fighting elections with hired leaders of other parties. He said TMC's victory in the West Bengal Assembly polls will trigger a change in 2024 general elections. Noting that BJP doesn't have a credible face to counter Mamata Banerjee and is dependent on 'outsiders' Shah-Modi. Sinha said their desperation to win Bengal shows it has slim chances.

ON YOUR MARK. GET, SET, GO...

First phase of polls in West Bengal and Assam will take place on Saturday. A look at the key personalities, numbers and other aspects....



WEST BENGAL

30 CONSTITUENCIES
73,80,942 VOTERS

29 Seats TMC & BJP have fielded candidates in

30 Seats Left-Congress-ISF alliance has candidates in (Left 18, Congress 10, ISF 2)

STAR CAMPAIGNERS

BJP: Narendra Modi took part in multiple rallies. Amit Shah & JP Nadda also canvassed the areas

TMC: Mamata Banerjee campaigned in a majority of these seats. Her nephew and MP Abhishek Banerjee visited the rest

VOTING TODAY

Patashpur, Kanthi Uttar, Bhagabanpur, Khejuri, Kanthi Dakshin, Ramnagar, Egra, Dantan, Nayagram, Gopiballavpur, Jhargram, Keshiary, Kharagpur, Garbeta, Salboni, Medinipur, Binpur, Bandwan, Balarampur, Baghmundi, Joypur, Purulia, Manbazar, Kashipur, Para, Raghunathpur, Saltora, Chhatna, Ranibandh, Raipur

49 Candidates fielded by BJP (39) and its partner AGP (10). The allies are engaged in friendly contests in Lakhimpur and Naharkatiya

47 Seats the grand alliance is contesting in. Congress 43. AIUDF, CPI(ML-L), RJD, Anchalik Gana Morcha (contesting as Independent) one each.

41 Seats AJP is contesting in

47 CONSTITUENCIES
81.09 LAKH VOTERS

ASSAM

VOTING TODAY

Dhekiajuli, Barchalla, Tezpur, Rangapara, Sootea, Behali, Gohpur, Dhing, Batadroba, Biswanath, Rupohihat, Samaguri, Kaliabar, Bokakhat, Sarupathar, Golaghat, Khumtai, Jorhat, Titabor, Mariani, Teok, Majuli (ST), Amguri, Nazira, Thowra, Sibsagar, Mahmara, Sonari, Bihpuria, Naoboicha, Lakhimpur, Dhakuakhana (ST), Dhemaji (ST), Jonai (ST), Moran, Dibrugarh, Lahowal, Duliajan, Tingkhong, Naharkatia, Tinsukia, Digboi, Margherita, Doom Dooma, Sadiya, Dergaon (SC)

STAR CANDIDATES

BJP: Chief Minister **Sarbananda Sonowal** (Majuli). Nearest rival Rajib Lochan Pegu of Congress

- Speaker of the Assembly Hitendranath Goswami (Jorhat). Nearest rival Rana Goswami of Congress
- Others in fray include BJP ministers Ranjit Dutta (Behali), Naba Kumar Doley (Dhakuakha), Jogen Mohan (Mahmora), Terash Gowala (Duliajan), Sanjoy Kishan (Tinsukia) and AGP ministers Atul Bora (Bokakhat), Keshab Mahanta (Kaliabor)

CONG: Legislature Party leader Debabrata Saikia (Nazira), party's state president **Ripun Borah** (Gohpur)

- Raijor Dal leader Akhil Gogoi, jailed for anti-CAA protests, contesting as Independent

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS Voters to wear masks. Will be provided one at the time of voting • Sanitisers, thermal scanners and soap will be available as part of the Assured Minimum Facilities at each polling station

Officials board a boat to travel to their polling centres in Dibrugarh on Friday | PTI

CONG-AIUDF COMBO WILL WIN SOME AND LOSE SOME

Ear to the Ground
ASSAM POLLS

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AT an All-India United Democratic Front camp office next to a verdant, sun-drenched paddy field in Dhubri district, the party's flag bearing the election symbol of *taalachaabi* (lock and key) flutters in the modestly hot spring breeze. Cut-outs of Hafiz Bashir Ahmed, the party's Bilasipara West candidate, also adorns the office. But there is neither a flag of the Congress, its alliance partner, nor a poster with a photo of Rahul Gandhi or any other senior Congress leader.

Contrast this with the Asom Gana Parishad's roadside office in Kaliabor constituency, Nagaon district. Flags of AGP and BJP, its ally, can be seen and the hoarding even has a photo of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

This united face is also visible in Simla Bazar village, Baksa district, just eight kilometres away from the Indo-Bhutan border. At a public meeting of the United People's Party Liberal, BJP's new Bodo ally, close to rolling tea gardens, flags of both the parties get equal prominence.

But despite the Congress-AIUDF's somewhat disunited campaign, it is widely believed that the new alliance will give the BJP-led combine a run for its money. This is because of the expected consolidation of minority votes.

"There is a positive sentiment for the development work by the BJP government but their number will come down because of the Congress-AIUDF alliance," said Chandan Sarma of Dibrugarh University.

The arithmetic of the 2016 assembly elections also suggests this, when the Congress had contested 122 seats and the AIUDF 74. The vote share shows that if the two parties had contested together, they would have defeated the BJP or AGP candidate in at least 14 seats. In six of them they would have won by a yard, getting 55% or more vote share.

Take for instance the Batadroba constituency in minority-dominated Nagaon district. Had the Congress and the AIUDF contested together, they would have got 59.64% votes, much higher than the winning BJP candidate's 37.61%. In Barpeta, the Congress-AIUDF would have got 58.51% as against the AGP's 38.96%.

Besides the 14 seats where the Congress-AIUDF would have upstaged the BJP-AGP, in three seats the contest in 2016 was extremely close as the difference in vote share was razor thin. In Tezpur, the Congress-AIUDF combine got 52.54% votes while the winning AGP candidate got 52.56%, a difference of only 0.02%.

In Ratabari, it was 47.94% for the BJP and 47.41% for the Congress-AIUDF while in Hojai, the BJP got 54.4% while the Congress-AIUDF 53.77%.

But the consolidation of minority votes is likely to negatively impact the Congress when it comes to Assamese Hindu votes. This community has been strongly opposed to the AIUDF and its brand of politics that is largely centred round Bengali Muslims and illegal immigrants.

"In upper Assam, the local Assamese are likely to reject the Congress because of the alliance with the AIUDF," said Arindam Borkataky, a political analyst and lecturer at ADP College, Nagaon.

His sentiment was perhaps captured by a dhaba owner in Kukurmara, Kamrup district. Identifying himself as only Rituparna, he called the Congress-AIUDF alliance unholy and communal. "As far as this area is concerned, the majority of the people here are Hindus so they will all vote for the BJP. Why should they vote for any other party?" he asked.

An interesting subtext of the alliance is that the Congress could have been more desperate for the tie-up than the AIUDF. This is clear from the seat distribution.

While the AIUDF is contesting 20 seats only, down from 74 the last time, it has not only got the safer constituencies but managed to get seven seats where the Congress had won handsomely in 2016. In two of them, Baghbar and Jania, the Congress had even got a whopping 57.58% and 56.41% vote share, respectively.

"The AIUDF has got the better seats," said Jay Panda, the BJP's election in-charge for Assam. The Congress and the AIUDF did not comment.

Modi pays tribute to Mujib, praises Hasina in article

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in an op-ed in Bangladesh's leading English newspaper — The Daily Star — on Friday said the 2015 boundary agreement would have been signed earlier if Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman had been alive. "India and Bangladesh were able to finally overcome the complications of history through the 2015 Land Boundary Agreement. It was a historic moment in the history of modern nation-states. But had Bangabandhu been at the helm longer, this achievement may have come much earlier," he wrote. The op-ed was published on a day when Modi began his two-day trip to Bangladesh. The PM heaped praise on his Bangladesh counterpart Sheikh Hasina for bettering ties between the two countries. "Cargo from Bangladesh can move to Nepal and Bhutan through India. We are in the process of implementing a similar arrangement for Indian cargo to reach India's northeastern states through Bangladesh," he wrote.

Four killed during protests against Prime Minister's visit

Dhaka: At least four persons were killed and dozens injured when some Islamist organisations and students of a madrasa protesting PM Narendra Modi's visit to Bangladesh clashed with police on Friday afternoon. In Chittagong, at least four persons, including two students, were killed and scores injured when police fired tear gas shells followed by rubber bullets and shotguns to disperse the crowd. Eyewitneses said that those who died had gun shot injuries on their bodies. Protests against Modi's visit also flared in the capital city of Dhaka, where dozens of people, including two journalists, were injured in clashes with police, witnesses said. Clashes took place between a group of protesters, mostly members of the Islamist groups, and police in the Baitul Mukarram area. Witnesses said violent clashes broke out after one faction of protesters began waving shoes as a sign of disrespect to Modi, and another group tried to stop them. Police stepped in and dispersed the crowd.

'Went to jail for Bangladesh's freedom'

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"THE freedom struggle of Bangladesh was a significant moment in my journey. My colleagues and I had done a satyagraha. I was in my early twenties. I even had the opportunity to go to jail during this satyagraha for Bangladesh's struggle for freedom," he said.

Hasina acknowledged India's contribution to Bangladesh's independence and recalled how members of her family, including Bangabandhu, had been assassinated on August 15, 1975.

Modi arrived in Dhaka to a red carpet welcome with the Bangladesh PM breaking protocol and greeting him at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport. He then proceeded to the National Martyrs' Memorial and paid tributes to the heroes of the 1971 war. "I pay heartfelt tribute to the martyrs of Bangladesh whose sacrifices enabled the birth of this great nation. I pray that the eternal flame at Savar remains a lasting reminder of the noble victory of truth and courage over deceit and oppression," Modi wrote in the visitors' book at the memorial.

Modi and Hasina also inaugurated the Bapu Bangabandhu digital exihibition. A similar exhibition was inaugurated in New Delhi during the virtual bilateral summit last year. The exhibition depicts the lives of Mahatma Gandhi and Bangabandhu. In Dhaka, the exhibition also features a genocide tunnel which depicts the atrocities committed by the Pakistan army on the people of Bangladesh during the 1971 war.

The PM met members of the Indian community, the ruling coalition of Bangladesh and members of the opposition.

UDAN FLIGHTS

Four flight services, out of the total 19 launched in Gujarat under the Centre's UDAN Scheme in the last two years, were stopped due to lack of economic viability, the state government told the Legislative Assembly

3 HELD IN NAGALAND IN FAKE MARKSHEET SCAM

INDIA	Max	Min	INDIA	Max	Min
Ahmedabad	40	26	Mumbai	37	29
Bhopal	38	20	Panaji	34	28
Jaipur	35	22	Patna	37	19
Amritsar	31	16	Lucknow	34	24
Chennai	34	25	Port Blair	33	26
Kolkata	36	25	Imphal	33	08
Srinagar	22	07	Chandigarh	39	21

CEASEFIRE

India, Pak army officials meet as LoC truce holds

Local issues discussed; more such meetings could be expected at other border locations

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

IN a major sign of thaw on ground at the Line of Control between India and Pakistan, a commander-level (brigadier) meeting was held on Friday to sort out the issues at the "local level". The Army in a message on Twitter wrote, "Post the DGsMO Understanding 2021, a Brigade Commander Level Flag Meeting was held between Indian and Pakistan Army at Poonch Rawalkot Crossing Point on 26 Mar 2021 to discuss implementation mechanism as per the understanding (sic)."

A senior Army officer said it is after a considerable duration that the "the commanders from the two sides met and discussed the local issues" and evinced hope that there will be more such meeting in the future. "Depending on the issues this can happen at other places too," he added.

About the frequency of talks between the higher officials at the headquarters-level, an Army officer said, "While test call at the headquarter-level takes place every day, the Director Generals speak to each other based on requirement."

Indian Army chief General MM Naravane expressed optimism that the ceasefire will hold and is good for future. "The whole month of March, we didn't witness even a single round being fired on the LoC barring one incident. It is for the first time in about five to six years that the LoC has been silent. This really bodes well for the future," said General Naravane speaking at an event in Delhi.

A Brigade Commander-level flag meeting was held between Indian and Pakistan armies at Poonch Rawalkot crossing point on March 26 to discuss implementation mechanism as per understanding

Indian Army

There were 5,133 instances of ceasefire violation in 2020.

Amid the peaking ceasefire violations along the 740-km long LoC, India and Pakistan had issued a surprise joint statement on February 25, which stated, "The DGsMO of India and Pakistan held discussions over the established mechanism of hotline contact." Both sides reiterated that "existing mechanisms of hotline contact and border flag meetings will be utilised to resolve any unforeseen situation or misunderstanding".

Night curfew back as Maha sees 37K fresh cases

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

NIGHT curfew will be back in Maharashtra from Sunday as the state continues to register record surge in fresh cases, becoming the lead contributor in driving up the nationwide Covid-19 infection count.

Maharashtra recorded 36,902 new cases on Friday, the highest single-day rise since the pandemic began, with capital Mumbai also reporting its biggest ever tally of 5,515 new cases.

In view of the alarming increase, night curfew will be imposed in the entire state from March 28. Malls will have to remain shut from 8 pm to 7 am. Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray also warned of stricter restrictions if the people did not observe safety protocol.

Thackeray reviewed the situation at a meeting with divisional commissioners, district collectors, SPs and deans of medical colleges and asked officials to ensure availability of adequate hospital beds and medicines.

The other states that reported surge on Friday are Punjab, Gujarat, Karnataka and Chhattisgarh. Gujarat recorded 2,190 new cases, its highest daily rise so far, taking the total caseload to 2,96,320. The one-day spike in cases has crossed the 2,000-mark in the state for the first time since the pandemic outbreak.

Punjab also reported its highest 24-hour spike, recording 3,176 new cases on Friday, surpassing the previous record of 2,896 cases on September 17 last year. The nationwide tally saw a single-day spike of 59,118 new infections, the highest this year. Worried over the upward trend, the Union Health Ministry has rushed two high-level multi-disciplinary teams to Chhattisgarh and Chandigarh that will work with the respective governments to assist in undertaking gap analysis and recommend requisite containment measures.

A health worker collects sample at the Gateway of India in Mumbai on Friday | PTI

Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan said the surge is being closely monitored and measures being taken to arrest the trend. The Centre is planning to widen the scope of the immunisation drive, he added. In a communication to chief secretaries of all states and Union Territories, Home Secretary Ajay Bhalla asked them to ensure strict adherence to all safety protocols, particularly in view of upcoming festivals such as Holi, Shab-e-Barat, harvesting festivals, Easter, Eid-ul-Fitr, etc.

FINAL SALUTE

CRPF personnel on Friday carry the coffins of two jawans killed in a militant attack in Srinagar | ZAHOOR PUNJABI

A CRPF vehicle was fired upon at Lawaypora on Thursday, killing 2 jawans & injuring 2 others

Police said a local Lashkar militant and two foreigners were involved in the attack

Police also claimed to have arrested two men who provided logistical support to militants

4-phase UP panchayat polls to begin on April 15

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE State Election Commission (SEC) on Friday notified the much-delayed three-tier panchayat polls in Uttar Pradesh. The polls will be held in four phases — April 15, 19, 26, and 29 — and results will be out on May 2.

Following the announcement, the UP board exams for high school and intermediate have been rescheduled for May first week. Earlier these exams were to start from April 24.

The poll schedule comes after the UP government got a major reprieve from the Supreme Court, which refused to entertain a petition filed by Dilip Kumar of Sitapur district seeking overruling of the recent order of the Allahabad High Court directing the government to decide the rotation of the reserved panchayat seats by taking 2015 as the base year. The apex court refused to stay the panchayat polls and directed the petitioner to file the plea in the high court.

With the poll announcement, the model code of conduct kicks in, which means the Yogi Adityanath government will have to refrain from making any policy announcement.

EC issues guidelines

Poll panel allowed infected candidates to contest only after following the protocol. Covid-positive voters will be allowed to vote during the final hour of polling

The nomination papers will be made available from Saturday. The SEC statement said in the first phase on April 15, 18 districts will be covered followed by 20 districts in the second phase on April 19, 20 districts in the third phase on April 26 and 17 districts in the last phase on April 29.

In view of the second Covid surge, the poll panel has already issued detailed guidelines.

Child rights body seeks action over Netflix series

NEW DELHI: Apex child rights body NCPCR on Friday asked the Information and Broadcasting Ministry to order Netflix to remove a few scenes from its series *Bombay Begums* which allegedly portray children inappropriately.

In a letter to Information and Broadcasting Ministry Joint Secretary Vikam Sahay, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights Chairperson Priyank Kanoongo claimed that the Netflix series, *Bombay Begums*, has not only violated the prevailing law of the land and guidelines, it's continuing the same and affecting children's interest to a very large extent.

The NCPCR said considering the "seriousness" of the issue, it recommended the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (a regulatory authority of OTTs under the new guidelines) to issue directions to Netflix at the earliest to ensure that the aforementioned scenes are immediately removed from the series and to take appropriate measures as per due procedure.

"You are further requested to furnish an ATR (action-taken report) in this regard within seven days of issue of this letter, failing which the commission will be constrained to initiate proceedings under Section 14 of CPCR Act, 2005," Kanoongo said in the letter issued on Friday.

The *Bombay Begums* on Netflix delves into the lives of five women from different sections of society, who all want different things in life. Earlier, the NCPCR had asked Netflix to stop the streaming of the series till the time it comes to any decision on removal of scenes and held a meeting with officials of the online streaming platform. *PTI*

FIR on phone tapping, Maha info leak row

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

THE Mumbai Cyber Crime Police on Friday registered an FIR against an "unknown person" under the Official Secrets Act 1923 and the Telegraph Act 1885 in connection with phone tapping and leaking of confidential information allegedly involving IPS officer Rashmi Shukla.

Meanwhile, opposition leader Devendra Fadnavis defended his decision of speaking on Shukla's phone interceptions about the transfer of IPS and non-IPS officers and claimed he did not share any confidential report, but only the covering letter sent by Shukla.

"The original report was leaked by NCP minister Nawab Malik in his press conference. Malik has openly put this confidential report in public," Fadnavis said adding that he has all proof and will present it in the court as and when it requires.

However, Malik countered this and said Fadnavis was the first to leak the report to public in his press conference. "An FIR has been registered and the truth will come out," Malik added. Meanwhile, Fadnavis commenting on chief secretary Sitaram Kunte's report against Shukla said it looked as if ministers Nawab Malik and Jitendra Awhad had prepared the report. Both Malik and Awhad refuted this and said Fadnavis is restless after the filing of first information report.

Bandh hits normal life in Punjab and Haryana; feeble impact in other states

Women stage a sit-in on highway and shout slogans during the Bharat bandh called by farmer unions in protest against the farm laws in Patiala on Friday | PTI

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

NORMAL life was disrupted in Punjab and Haryana in response to the day-long Bharat bandh call given by farmers, but no violence or untoward incident was reported.

Rail and road traffic was hit, commercial establishments remained closed and public transport as well as private vehicles remained off roads in solidarity with the farmers. Emergency medical services were exempted from the blockade. Farmers, commission agents, trade union activists and political workers squatted on railway tracks and blocked roads by parking tractors and other vehicles and raised slogans against the Centre.

A railway spokesperson said four Shatabdi trains were cancelled, 35 passenger trains were detained and the movement of 40 goods trains was affected in Punjab and Haryana, but less than 0.5% trains were impacted nationally.

In western districts of UP such as Meerut, Baghpat, Shamli, Muzaffarnagar and some areas of Saharanpur, farmers blocked roads. In most parts of Bihar, vehicular movement was thrown out of gear as workers of opposition parties threw burnt tyres on the roads. In Rajasthan business establishments observed shutdown in a few districts.

In other states, however, the impact of the bandh was negligible. The Samkyukta Kisan Morcha, however, claimed the bandh was a success and alleged that many of its leaders and cadres were detained by police in various states.

EXPRESS READ

Varanasi, Kanpur get police commissionerates

LUCKNOW: The UP Cabinet approved a proposal for establishing police commissionerates in Varanasi and Kanpur, on Thursday. With this, UP will have police commissioner system in four districts. The responsibility of maintaining law and order in these districts will be with IPS officers instead of IAS officials posted as District Magistrates.

POLLUTION CHECK

ACTION PLAN FOR CITIES WITH TOXIC AIR

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

IN a move to curb air pollution in 132 identified cities under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP), the Centre on Friday roped in 82 knowledge partners and institutes of repute for the implementation of city-specific action plans.

The National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) is a long-term, time-bound, national-level strategy to tackle air pollution problem across the country in a comprehensive manner with targets to achieve 20 per cent to 30 per cent reduction in Particulate Matter concentrations by 2024.

The city action plans have been prepared to control specific air pollution sources through multidimensional actions by bringing several implementation agencies together. Expansion of ambient air quality network, source apportionment studies, public awareness, grievance redressal mechanism and sector specific action points are part of these action plans.

A National Knowledge Network comprising leading air quality specialists has also been constituted. States have also been asked to quickly procure e-buses for public transport. The Centre said that despite allocation of funds for 6,000 e-buses across the country only 600 buses have been procured.

Centre plot to dismantle PDP, says Mehbooba

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Srinagar

A day after facing marathon questioning by the ED in a money laundering case, PDP chief and former J&K CM Mehbooba Mufti on Friday accused the central government of trying to dismantle her party by luring and threatening its members. "GoI is trying to dismantle PDP by luring and threatening its members. Investigative agencies like ED are being used to intimidate me," Mehbooba tweeted.

The PDP chief's renewal of passport has also hit a roadblock as police has opposed it citing adverse reports. Mehbooba tweeted, "To make matters worse, I'm being denied of my fundamental right to have a passport. If this isn't political vendetta then what is?"

Transgender signage in city's public toilets

The Jaipur Municipal Corporation-Greater has paved the way for inclusive sanitation by putting up signage for transgender community in all community and public toilet complexes in the city. Launching the signage, Mayor of Greater Jaipur, Soumya Gujjar said, "We are committed to ensure gender inclusiveness at all levels. We will ensure that all the CTCs /PTs under the municipal corporation will now carry a signage for men, women and transgender people." Since 2010, Nai Bhor and the Centre for Advocacy and Research have been working in partnership with the civic body to ensure inclusive sanitation for all.

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JAIPUR DIARY

Jaipur's top govt hospital to have air ambulance

The state government will soon start an air ambulance facility at the Sawai Man Singh Hospital in Jaipur, which is Rajasthan's biggest government hospital. It will be the first hospital in the state to have an air ambulance facility on the lines of AIIMS, New Delhi. Minister for Urban Development, Shanti Dhariwal said the existing cottage ward of the SMS Hospital will be removed and a multi-storey Inpatient Department (IPD) tower will be built there. The height of this IPD block, built with state-of-the-art medical facilities, will be 100 metres and its roof will serve as a helipad. Facilities for 1,000 patients will be available at this IPD block. This ultra-modern IPD project is estimated to cost around `350 crore and will start in June.

Dadi Ratan Mohini to head Brahma Kumaris

Dadi Ratan Mohini (96) has been appointed the spiritual head of the Brahma Kumaris, a large spiritual organisation completely run by women. The decision was taken at a meeting of the management committee of the organisation which has its headquarters in Mt Abu. Dadi Ratan Mohini replaces Dadi Hriday Mohini, who died on March 11. Earlier, Dadi Ratan Mohini had the responsibility of additional chief administrator of the organisation, which has about 8,000 service centers in 140 countries. Dadi has also trained thousands of sisters at 4,600 service centres.

Kin of scribes who die of Covid to get ₹50L aid

The Rajasthan government will provide an assistance of `50 lakh to the family of any accredited journalist in the state who dies due to Covid-19 pandemic. An official statement released this week has confirmed that Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has agreed to include journalists among the list of "corona warriors" who will get a financial assistance of `50 lakh that was so far restricted only to government employees. The state government has also raised the amount of monthly pension for retired, 60-plus journalists from `5,000 to `10,000. The former BJP government in the state had scrapped the pension scheme for veteran journalists.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Smt. Shoba Batagurki W/o S.B. Batagurki is intending to purchase the property mentioned in the schedule herein from its owner Sri Bhaskar .V S/o Veeraswamy. The owner represents and warrants that Sri Bhaskar .V is the absolute owner of the schedule property. The owner further represents that he has not encumbered, mortgaged, created any charge or lien on the schedule in any manner apart from him there is no other person/s, over the schedule property. Any/person/s having objections or claim/s, shall with documentary evidence lodge their objection/s or claim/s within 5 days from the date of publication of this notice with the undersigned failing which, my clients shall proceed with the above mentioned transaction/sale deed.

SCHEDULED

All that piece and parcel of the vacant site bearing Municipal No. 16/1, (Old No. 18), situated at 13th Cross, Ganganagar, Bangalore measuring East to West: 60 feet, North to South: 40 feet, and PID No. 98-43-16/1 bounded as follows- East by : Site No. 29, West by : 30 feet Road, North by : Site No. 17, South by : Site No.19

For any clarification contact the undersigned counsel.

MAHESHA B., Advocate
No. 25, 1st Main Road, Amarjyothi Layout, Anandnagar, Opp. Kupparaj School, Bangalore-560 032. Mobile: 9901076809

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform General Public, my Client **Mr. VIDYUT CHANDRAVADAN DESAI**, Mob. No. 8356969082, No.37, Sheshadri Road, Kaveri Hotel, Gandhinagar, K.G. Road, Bangalore-560009, Aadhar No. 6490 8278 1167, PAN:ACBPD4118K, was the owner of property Apartment bearing No.413, in 'D' Block in Fourth Floor at GARADI APARTMENTS, property described in the 'A' Schedule aforementioned containing living, dining, and Two Bed Rooms having a Floor area of 1095 Sq.ft., with Basement Car parking No. 68, PID No. 51-86-26/105, Ward No.51, Basavanagudi, as per BBMP records Municipal New No. 26/105, 3rd Main Road, Tata Silk Farm, Bangalore with common areas such as passages, Lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areas of common use.

My client hereby declares that my client said property original Deed or document No. 3871/90-91, dated 25-3-1991. The said original Sale Deed document is lost /misplaced in my house even though I have searched thoroughly I am not able to trace out the said Sale Deed, within the jurisdiction of Banashankari 2nd Stage Police Station, Bangalore in this behalf I have lodged online police complaint Vide Serial No. 1005225 Lost Report No. 084144/2021 dated 26-3-2021 and after thorough search he has not been able to trace out the original document and as such through this Public Notice he has confirmed that the above said original document has been lost.

If anybody finds / traces the said original documents, it is requested to contact and handover to the under signed immediately and the finder Will be suitably rewarded.

SHIVANNA, Advocate
No.24, 12th Main Road, 4th Block East, Jayanagar, (Near Sub-Registrar Office), Bangalore-560011. Ph: (M): 9901507257
Date : 26.03.2021

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BANGALORE
No.4, 1st Floor, 'Jeevan Mangal' (LIC Building), Residency Road, Bengaluru-560 025.

NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION

(See Sec.25 and Sec.29 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 read with II Schedule to the Income Tax Act 1961)

TRC No.211/2017 (DCP No.9945) In O.A. No. 368/2014

Between: City Union Bank Ltd., Koramangala Branch ... **CHB/APPLICANT**

AND: Mahesh and another ... **CDS/RESPONDENTS**

Certified Debtors: 1) Mr. Mahesh S/o Maregowda, No. 45, Honnaghatta Village, Kodigehalli Post, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore-561203. **2) Mrs. Annapurana** W/o Mahesh, No. 45, Honnaghatta Village, Kodigehalli Post, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore. 561203.

Whereas IN EXECUTION OF certificate No. TRC No. 211/2017 (DCP No. 9945) in O.A. No. 368/2014 drawn by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bengaluru the undersigned has ordered the sale of the under mentioned properties.

You are hereby informed that the 15th day from the date of service of this notice has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof. You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.

SCHEDULE 'A'

Equitable Mortgage of All that piece and parcel of agricultural properties 01-06 are situated in Hongaghatta Village, Doddaballapura Taluk, the property No.7 is situated at Maragondanahalli Village, Bangalore Rural District owned by Mr. Mahesh (Certificate Debtor No.1)

1. Sy. No. 7/4, Area 1 A 04 G, North by: Chennakrishnappa Kempanna, West by: Byre Gowda Kempanna, East by: Srinivas, South by: Mahesh Chennamma.
2. Sy. No. 7/5, Area 0 A 35 G, North by: Own Property, West by: Venkatesh Prasad, East by: Mahesh, South by: Nanje Gowda.
3. Sy. No. 6/5, Area 0 A 03 G, North by: Narayanamma, West by: Own Property, East by: Road, South by: Shivappa.
4. Sy. No. 7/2A, Area 0 A 27 G, North by: Venkatesh, West by: Krishnappa, East by: Venkatesh, South by: Thimme.

SCHEDULE -'B'

All that piece and parcel of the Residental land and building rural property bearing khaneshumari No.27/49, situated at Honnaghatta Village, Doddaballapura Taluk Bangalore Rural District measuring East to West 45 feet and North to South 42 Feet in total 1890 sq.ft. and bounded on **East by:** Road, **West by:** Nanje Gowda's Home, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Appaiyanna's House.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on 23-02-2021.

By order of the Tribunal, Recovery Officer-II, Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bangalore.

IN THE COURT OF THE PRL. CIVIL JUDGE & JMFC AT DEVANAHALLI

C.Mis. No. 75 / 2021

Between: **Sri. Veerabhadrappa @ Veerabhadraiah** ...Petitioner
And: - **The Tahasildar** ...Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Petitioner has filed the above petition for the death certificate of Bannayyappa S/o Late Channaveerappa was died on 07-08-1994 at Mahadevakodigehalli Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Prl. Civil Judge & JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing **on 28.04.2021 at 11.00 A.M. in C.Misc. No. 75/2021.**

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 25th day of March 2021.

By order of the Hon'ble Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Sri. P. Marappa,** Advocate, Office at No.14/3, 14th Cross, Cubbonpete, Bangalore-560 002.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that our client had purchased the immovable property described in the Schedule hereunder written (the property) through registered sale deed dated 14-03-2008 for valuable sale consideration of 12,37,500/- from **H.A.Muniraju Son of Anjinappa and Smt. Padhma Wife of H.A. Muniraju.**

It is cautioned that my client still hold the property and he is in absolute possession and enjoyment of all rights and interest over the schedule property. If any person transacting with any other person except with my client regarding the schedule property will be doing so at their own risk and cost and any such transactions with any of the previous owner or their legal heirs or any one claiming under them will not be binding on my client and my client is sole absolute and peaceful possession of the said property. Any person transacting the said property will do so at his own cost and general public is cautioned any transaction with respect to said property.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO

ALL that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing survey Number 110, situated at Hirandahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobali, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru, measuring 0-33. Guntas, as bounded as follows:

On or towards East by: Property belongs to Mr. Sidappa;
On or towards West by: Property belongs to Mrs. Maheshamma;
On or towards North by: Property belongs to Mr. Sidappa;
On or towards South by: Property belongs to Mr. Venugopal;

Sd/-
D.MUNIRAJU, Advocate
D.Muniraju & Associates, No.107, 1st Floor, Embassy Center, Opposite Karntaka Film Chamber, Near Shivananda Circle, Bengaluru-560001. Ph: 70221 09576
Date: 27-03- 2021. Place: Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that our client had purchased the immovable properties described in the Schedule hereunder written (the property) through two registered sale deeds dated 16-06-2008 for valuable sale consideration of Rs.19,50,000/-from **Sri Narayanappa son of Late Ramappa, Smt. Papamma wife of Narayanappa, Smt. Sampathamma daughter of Narayanappa, Smt. Munirathnamma daughter of Narayanappa, Smt. Kaveramma daughter of Narayanappa, Sri. Ramurthy son of Narayanappa, Sri. Gurappa son of Narayanappa and Sri. Muniyappa son of Narayanappa.**

It is cautioned that my client still hold the property and she is in absolute possession and enjoyment of all rights and interest over the schedule properties. If any person transacting with any other person except with my client regarding the schedule properties will be doing so at their own risk and cost and any such transactions with any of the previous owner or their legal heirs or any one claiming under them will not be binding on my client and my client is sole absolute and peaceful possession of the said properties. Any person transacting the said properties will do so at his own cost and general public is cautioned any transactions with respect to said properties.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO SCHEDULE-A

ALL that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing survey Number 116, situated at Hirandahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobali, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru, measuring one acre (01-00). guntas, as bounded as follows:

On or towards East by: Property belongs to Mrs. Maheshamma;
On or towards West by: Property belongs to our client purchased from Mr. Vasu and H.M. Krishnappa;
On or towards North by: Property belongs to sellor measuring 12 Guntas.
On or towards South by: Property belongs to Mr. G.Narayanappa Venugopal;

SCHEDULE-B

ALL that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing survey Number 116, situated at Hirandahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobali, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru, measuring Twelve guntas (00-12). Guntas, as bounded as follows:

On or towards East by: Property belongs to Mr. Ramaiah;
On or towards West by: Property belongs to Bhaskarachari ;
On or towards North by: Property belongs to Chandrappa;
On or towards South by: Property belongs to our client measuring One acre;

Sd/-
D.MUNIRAJU, Advocate
D. Muniraju & Associates, No.107, 1st Floor, Embassy Center, Opposite Karntaka Film Chamber, Near Shivananda Circle, Bengaluru-560001. Ph:70221 09576
Date: 27-03- 2021. Place: Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public in General is hereby informed that **Mr. GANESH .K,** S/o Late Kuppaswamy, Aged about 46 years, Mr. B. RAMANATHAN, S/o Late Balasubramanayam, C/o Ganesh, Aged about 74 years, both are Residing at No.104, Panacea Golden Nest Apartment, Gunjur Main Road, Next to JP Palace, Gunjur, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bangalore-560087. SRI. GANESH.R. S/o S. Ramachandran, Aged about 46 years, Residing at No.33, 14th Cross Road, Kanaka Nagara, Bengaluru-560032, SMT. POORNIMA KUPPASWAMY ANNAPOORNA, W/o S. Kothandharaman, aged about 51 year, Residing No.471, DSR Sun Rice Towers, Channasandra Main Road, Opp MVJ College, Channasandra, Kadugodi Plantation, Bengaluru-560067 are negotiating to sell the schedule property and claims that they are the present owners of the property mentioned below to my client S.P.SREEDHAR, S/o. Late.S.Pullaiah, Aged about 49 years, Residing at No. 42, 1st Floor, 6th Cross. Wilson Garden, Bangalore-560027, in respect of the property converted land measuring 10 Guntas (10890 Square Feet) out of 17 Guntas and 1 Gunta of Karab land in old Survey No.32, New Survey No.32/4 Situated at Medahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, presently within the Jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.53, vide conversion order No.ALN(PU.B.B) SR160/2012-13 dated 22.01.2013. AND BOUNDED BY East By : 25 Feet Road, West By : Remaining partition of Survey No.32, North By : Remaining partition of Survey No.32, South by : Remaining partition of Survey No.32.

Any person having any rights, title, interest are claim in the said property by way of sale, inheritance, possession, succession, mortgage, lien, lease, gift or otherwise howsoever in respect of the same, shall intimate the objection in writing to the undersigned with supporting documents thereof within **7 days** from the date of publications of this notice or else any such claims by any one shall not be considered and shall be deemed to have been waived and / or abandoned. And my client shall proceed conclude the negotiations and no claims shall be entertained thereafter.

SRINIVASA REDDY .K.V, Advocate
451,15th Cross, Near Deepthi Nursing Home, Lakkasandra, Bangalore-560030.
Mob: 9448013880, 9880560267
Email: srinivasa.reddy1977@gmail.com
Date : 26.03.2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE THAT, my client is intending to purchase the below mentioned the Schedule Property from **Mr. Aly Patel,** S/o Ardeshir Dara Patel; Aged about 34 years; residing at 52, Raven croft Avenue, London NW11 8AU, United Kingdom, he is the absolute owner and is in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the Schedule Property is free from all types of encumbrances, and the Schedule Property is his self-acquired property, and Katha and all revenue records in respect of the schedule property stands in the name of the Mr.Aly Patel.

Any person / firm / institution / company having any claim or right in respect of the Schedule Property by way of inheritance, share, sale, agreement, mortgage, lease, lien, license, gift, possession, legal heirs, partners or encumbrance howsoever or otherwise is hereby required to intimate in writing to the undersigned within **fifteen (15) days** from the date of publication of this notice of his/her/their share or claim, if any, with all supporting documents failing which the transaction shall be completed without reference to such claim and the claims, if any, of such person shall be treated as waived and not binding on our clients.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of residential Flat bearing No.004, Katha No.75-43-6/3, Ground Floor, in the Apartment known as "*SALEH ARCADIA*", consisting of Two Bedrooms, Kitchen, Two Bathrooms, Balcony, Sit-out, Measuring 1225 square feet of Super built up area and 1531 square feet of Garden area and one covered car parking space along with proportionate undivided right, title and interest in land of municipal No.6, Building constructed on new municipal No.6/3, Old No.6, Situated at Leonard Lane, Richmond Road, Bengaluru-560025 and bounded on: **East by :** Eastern portion of the Composite Property in No. 3 (formerly No. 2), Leonard Lane, partitioned in favour of Mr. M. K. Shirazi, **West by :** Mrs. Sullivan's Property, **North by :** Leonard Lane, **South by :** Cheerful Lodge, Wellington Street.

Advocate for Prospective Purchasers.
MANJUNATH H. R, Advocate,
No.361, 20th Cross, 20th Main, Ideal Homes, R R Nagar, Bengaluru-98, PH: 9901606467, E-Mail: dhruvikalawassociates@gmail.com

GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
e-Tender Notice No. CE/PHE/2P(R)/2021/4354
Dated 26.03.2021

It is hereby notified that e-tender process for **Procurement of GI pipe Class Medium/Heavy (Supply, delivery and stacking of GI Pipes F.O.R-Imphal, Manipur** has been Initiated.

The details can be obtained from the website **http://manipurtenders.gov.in**

Sd/- Chief Engineer, PHED
Govt. of Manipur

SHRIRAM HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

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Head Office: Level 3, Wockhardt Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai 400 051.
Telephone: 022 4241 0400, 022 4060 3100
Website: www.shriramhousing.in

PHYSICAL POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of Shriram Housing Finance Limited (SHFL) under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (said Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (said Rules) issued demand notices to the Borrowers details of which are mentioned in the table below to repay the amount mentioned in the said demand notices.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of SHFL has taken the Physical possession of the mortgaged property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules, on this **24th day of March, 2021**

Borrower Name and Address	Demand Notice	Description of Property
1. MR. ANAND K S and 2. MRS. SUPRIYA ANAND **R/at. House No. 2, Bhavya Paradise, CMR Layout, Chelekere, KalyanNagar Post, Bangalore – 560 043,** **And also at:** **Flat No. 107, 1st Floor, Bijith Classic Apartments, Sy. No. 41, K Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Hennur Road, Bangalore – 560 077** **And also at:** **Plot No. 25, Biddapur Colony, Afzedpur Road, Gulbarga – 585 102,**	Rs. 20,30,209/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Thirty Thousand Two Hundred Nine Only) in respect of Loan Account No. SHLHBGLR00000 03 and Rs. 15,46,230/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Only) in respect of Loan Account No. SLPHBGLR00000 85 as on 27.12.2017 with further interest at the contractual rate, within 60 days from the receipt of said notice. Notice dated: 04.01.2018	**SCHEDULE A** All that piece and parcel of converted land bearing Sy. No. 41, Khata No. 335/2, measuring to the extent of 21097 Sq. Ft (Approximately measuring 20 Guntas) situated at K Narayanapura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore now coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP and Bounded on: Eastby: Road, West by: Remaining portion of Sy. No.41 belongs to Sri. Appanna Gowda North by: Remaining portion of Sy. No.41 belongs to Sri. Premachandran, South by : Private Property **SCHEDULE B** All that piece and parcel of Residential Flat bearing No. 107 in First Floor, having super built up area of 1382 Sq. Ft and one covered car parking unit in the basement in the apartment building known as "BIJITH CLASSIC" together with 436.021 Sq. Ft of undivided share right, Title and interest in the schedule A property. The Flat consisting of two bedrooms, hall cum dining, toilet, kitchen, balcony together with all civic amenities like Lift, Generator etc., along with prorate common areas and facilities attributable thereto of the apartment building constructed in the Schedule A property.

This notice is also hereby to caution the general public at large that the authorized officer of SHFL is in the lawful Physical possession of the immovable property mentioned herein above and the Borrowers or any person shall not after receipt of this notice transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate any of the above mentioned secured assets referred to in this notice, without prior written consent of SHFL.

Place: Bangalore
Date : 24.03.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Shriram Housing Finance Limited

PHYSICAL POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Physical Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Venkataramanappa Suresh/ Bharathi S/ LBBNG00004945904	SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY ALL THAT PART AND PARCEL OF Immovable Residential Property bearing Sy No.6/1 & 6/2, measuring 46 Guntas or 50094 Sq.ft, duly converted for Residential purposes, by the Special Deputy Commissioner,Bangalore District, vide its Official Memorandum No.ALN.SR(S)490/2007-05, dated 13-122004, Situated at KOTHANUR Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, preasently within the limits of BBMP, it has assigned the Property with New Katha No.3437/2154/6/1 & 6/2, Katha SL No.1951, KOTHANUR, Bangalore -83, SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY UNDIVIDED SHARE AND INTEREST AGREED TO BE SOLD 623 Square Feet of undivided share right, title, interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' Property. SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY (Apartment hereby conveyed and sold) All thjat piece and parcel of the Immovable Residential Apartment bearing Flat No.904, in NINETH FLOOR of the apartment building known as "THIRUMALA ANEMONE" constructed on Schedule 'A' Property and Apartment measuring 2079 Square feet of Super Built Up Area, consisting of Four Bedrooms with Four attached Toilets and one common toilet, a kitchen with utility, dining and living room with balcony,inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other built up areas of common use, including free club house Membership with right to use one covered parking space in the basement/stilt floor with exclusive right to use and enjoy. /Date of physical possession- 23.03.2021	22.02.2020 Rs. 8671557.00	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date : March 26, 2021
Place: Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

R.BYREGOWDA

Doddajala Village & Post, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District

ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE

This in inform you that our Building Ornamental **Stone Querry Project SIA/KA/MIN/185521/2020** in extent under Survey NO. 40, Mayasandra Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist. Karnataka has been accorded with Environment Clearance under file No. SIA/KA/MIN/185521/2020 dated 22/02/2021 a copy of the same is available with **State Pollution Control Board and at SEIAA's website : http//www.seiaa.kar.nic.in**

N.RAMAMURTHY

Vidyanagar Cross,Bettahalasur Post, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District

ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE

This in inform you that our Building Ornamental **Stone Querry Project SIA/KA/MIN/185499/2020** in extent under Survey NO. 63, Mayasandra Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist. Karnataka has been accorded with Environment Clearance under file No. SIA/KA/MIN/185499/2020 dated 22/02/2021 a copy of the same is available with **State Pollution Control Board and at SEIAA's website : http//www.seiaa.kar.nic.in**

B.R. RAMANJANI

Bettahalsur -Post, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District

ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE

This in inform you that our Building Ornamental **Stone Querry Project SIA/KA/MIN/185466/2020** in extent under Survey NO. 17, Chikkagollahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist. Karnataka has been accorded with Environment Clearance under file No. SIA/KA/MIN/185466/2020 dated 22/02/2021 a copy of the same is available with **State Pollution Control Board and at SEIAA's website : http//www.seiaa.kar.nic.in**

K.N. RAMESH BABU

Koira Village & Post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District

ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE

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(A Govt. of India Undertaking)

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF E-AUCTION SALE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

(In terms of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act 2002)

Whereas the Authorized Officer of the Bank has issued a Demand notice under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI ACT 2002 and thereafter in exercise of powers under Section 13(12) of SARFAESI ACT 2002 has taken possession of properties mortgaged to Bank under Section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT 2002. The undersigned in the capacity of Authorized Officer has decided for sale of the following properties to public by E-auction and invite bids from the intending purchasers for purchase of immovable properties mentioned hereunder on **"AS IS WHERE IS" & "AS IS WHAT IS"** basis.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower's / Guarantor.	a) Date of Demand Notice b) Date of Possession c) Present outstanding dues.	a) Date & Time for Inspection of Property b) Date & Time of E-Auction	a) Reserve Price b) EMD Amount c) Bid Increase Amount
1	**Borrower:** **1. Mr. Mahesh D Patel S/o Daha Bai Patel Flat No.301, 2nd Floor, Opp Punam Mahal Kalyana Mandapam, 7th Main Road, Somashekar Layout, Valagerahalli Village, Kengeri, Bangalore - 560 060.** **2. Kishore G Patel (Guarantor) No.306, 2nd Floor, 7th Main road, Somashekar Layout, Valagerahalli Village, Kengeri, Bangalore - 560 060.**	**a) 3.1.2019** **b) 18.3.2019** **d) Rs.41,84,059.84 plus unapplied interest and costs charges etc.**	**a) 26.4.2021 Between 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m** **b) 28.4.2021 between 1.00 p.m to 5.00 pm**	**a) Rs.38,50,000/-** **b) Rs.3,85,000/-** **c) Rs. 25,000/-**
	Description of Immovable Property (WITH BOUNDARIES) : SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY : **Item No. 1-** All that part and parcel of property bearing Site Nos.19, 20, 29, 30 in converted Survey No.118/2, Situated at Valagerahalli Village, Kengeri, Bangalore South Taluk, Converted vide conversion order No.ALN.SR.13/80-81, dated : 18/2/1982, bearing BBMP Khata No.295/1158/881/546/19,20,28,29, 30 measuring East to West 65 feet and North to Soutb 95 feet in All measuting 6175 Sq.ft, now falling within the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagar Palike, Kenderi Sub-Division, Bangalore, which is bounded on : **East by :-** Property No.18 and 31, **West by :-** 40 ft Road, **North by :-** 30 ft Road, **South by :-** Property No.14 and 15. **Item No. 2-** All tat piece and parcel of property bearing Site Nos.17, 18, 31 & 32 in Converted Sy.No.118/2, Situated at Valagerahalli Village, Kengeri, Bangalore South Taluk, Converted vide conversion order No.ALN.SR.13/80-81, dated : 18/2/1982, bearing BBMP Khata No.1158/546/881/17, 18, 31 & 32 measuring East to West 60 feet and North to Soutb 95 feet in All measuting 5700 Sq.ft, now falling within the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagar Palike, Kenderi Sub-Division, Bangalore, which is bounded on : **East by :-** Private Property, **West by :-** Property No's 19 and 30, **North by :-** 30 ft Road, **South by :-** Property No.15 and 16. **SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY -** An undivided share land measuring 421 Sq.ft out of Schedule 'A' Property. **SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY -** All that piece and parcel of Flat No.301, in SUPREME SIGNATURE' situated in Second Floor, constructed in Schedule A Property, measuring 1125 Sq.ft, super built up area, R.C.C, Roof, with vitrified flooring, Cement and brick walls, Neem wood doors and steel windows, with all civic amenities, consisting of hall, Two bed rooms, kitchen and toilets with Balconies and common area, staircase along with one Car Parking etc and bounded on : East by : Flat No.302, West by : Flat No.306, North by : Set Back and South by : Passage. **In the name of Mr. Mahesh D Patel S/o Daha Bai Patel**			
	Branch : Kengeri Branch **A/C No. : 02971032220001**	**Ph.:080 28485591/4253** **IFSC Code : UCBA0000297.**	**E-mail : kenger@ucobank.co.in**	
2	**Borrower:** **Mr. Raghvendra M and Mrs. Kumari R No.62, Doddabele Colony, Doddabele Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore - 560060.** **Guarantor : 1. Sri K Nagesh, Assistant Department of D.P Secretary, DPAR Accounts, Vidhanasouda, Bangalore - 560001.** **Sri Muniraju, S/o Sri Narasimhaiah, No.30/4, Doddabele Village, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore - 560060.**	**a) 30.11.2020** **b) 11.2.2021** **c) Rs.28,11,814.45 plus unapplied interest and costs charges etc**	**a) 26.4.2021 Between 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m** **b) 28.4.2021 between 1.00 p.m to 5.00 pm**	**a) Rs.44,20,000/-** **b) Rs.4,42,000/-** **c) Rs.25,000/-**
	Description of Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of Property belongs bearing site No. 62, present V.P.Khata No.200/62 situated at Doddabele Colony in Doddabele Village,Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring East to west 30ft and North to South 40ft with building constructed thereon and bounded as under : **East By :** Property Site No.61, **West By :** Property Site No.63, **North By :** Road and **South By :** Property Site No.97. In the name of Raghvendra M.			
	Branch : Kengeri Branch **A/C No. : 02971032220001**	**Ph.:080 28485591/4253** **IFSC Code : UCBA0000297.**	**E-mail : kenger@ucobank.co.in**	
3	**Borrower:** **1. Sri. S. Shivanna, S/o Sri Sanjeevappa, residing at No.355, 5th Main Road, Shetty Layout, Ullalu Upanagar, Bangalore - 560056.** **2. Mrs Rukmini, W/o Shivanna S, No.355, 5th Main Road, Shetty Layout, Ullalu Upanagar, Bangalore - 560056.**	**a) 30.11.2020** **b) 11.2.2021** **c) Rs.14,95,548.45 plus unapplied interest and costs charges etc.**	**a) 26.4.2021 Between 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m** **b) 28.4.2021 between 1.00 p.m to 5.00 pm**	**a) Rs.40,60,000/-** **b) Rs.4,06,000/-** **c) Rs.25,000/-**
	Description of Immovable Property - All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing present BBMP Katha No. 19/199/355,in Sy.No.199 situated in Setty Layout, Ullalu Upanagar, Yeshwanthapura hobli, Bangalore North taluk and measuring East to West: 40.0 Ft., and North to South : 30.0 ft., in all measuring 1200 sq.ft. with building constructed thereon and bounded as under : **East by :** Property belonging to Smt. Lakshmamma, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property belonging to Srikanth and **South by :** Property belonging to Sri Mahammed. **In the Name of Rukmini, W/o Shivanna .**			
	Branch : Kengeri Branch **A/C No. : 02971032220001**	**Ph.:080 28485591/4253** **IFSC Code : UCBA0000297.**	**E-mail : kenger@ucobank.co.in**	
4	**Borrower:** **1) Sri. Ashwin E P, S/o. Sri. Prasanna Kumar E S, Flat No, A101, Ground Floor, Block A, Ramanuja Enclave Apartment, Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore - 560060.** **3) Guarantor :** **Sri.Jyothi P Kumar, W/o. Sri Prasanna Kumar E S No-21, 2nd Cross, Ramakrishnaiha Layout, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore - 560072.**	**a) 7.8.2020** **b) 11.2.2021** **c) Rs.12,13,749.91 plus unapplied interest and costs charges etc.**	**a) 26.4.2021 Between 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m** **b) 28.4.2021 between 1.00 p.m to 5.00 pm**	**a) Rs.48,10,000/-** **b) Rs.4,81,000/-** **c) Rs.25,000/-**
	Description of Immovable Property - **SCHEDULE-'A'** - All that piece and parcel of the land bearing old Sy No 80, New Sy No 80(P) measuring to an extent of 3 Acres 0.25 Guntas duly converted for residential purpose as per the order of Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban distirct,Bangalore vide order No.BDS/ALN(S)SR(KT)171/2003-04, dated 12.04.2004 situated at Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, now with in the administrative limits of B B M P and registered the Khata vide no 431/80 and bounded on : **East by :** Road heading from Kengeri to Hemmigepura and property purchased by Smt. Geetha. **West by :** Vrushabhavathi River. **North by :** Pathway heading from Kengeri towards temple. **South by :**Private Property /Khadirappa's Land. **SCHEDULE-'B' -** 520 sq ft on undivided right, title and interest in the schedule A property. **SCHEDULE-'C' -** All the piece and parcel of the immovable property being a residential flat bearing No. A-101 situated in the ground floor of Block A of the multistoried residential building known as **"Ramanuja Enclave"** with super built up are of 1571 sq. ft. consisting 3 bed rooms, Hall, Kitchen etc., constructed over the Schedule 'A' property along with covered car parking bearing No. A-101 in the basement of the building of A Block of the schedule A property. **In the name of Sri Ashwin E P, S/o Sri Prasanna Kumar E S.**			
	Branch : Kengeri Branch **A/C No. : 02971032220001**	**Ph.:080 28485591/4253** **IFSC Code : UCBA0000297.**	**E-mail : kenger@ucobank.co.in**	
5	**Borrower:** **M/s.J P Lighting Gallery, Prop. Mr.Kiran Henry Pinto, No.39, Hospital Road, Opp : Abhinaya Theatre, BVK Iyenger Road, Bangalore – 560 053** **Mortgagor and Guarantor** **Mr.Kiran Henry Pinto and Mrs.Lenitto Pinto, Flat No.A-001, Ground Floor, 'A' Block, S No.105/3B, Rachenahalli, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore – 560 045**	**a) 06.07.2016** **b) 07.02.2017** **c) Rs.81,04,460.12 plus unapplied interest and costs charges etc.**	**a) 26.4.2021 Between 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m** **b) 28.4.2021 between 1.00 p.m to 5.00 pm**	**a) Rs.49,00,000/-** **b) Rs.4,90,000/-** **c) Rs.25,000/-**
	Description of Immovable Property - All that piece and parcel of the property bearing, Flat No-A-001, A-Block, Ground Floor," R & S Riviera" Apartment, Rachenahalli Main Road, Thanisandhra Next to Manyatha Tech Park Gate No-5, Bangalore - 560045. 3 BHK Flat measuring 1588 sq ft. Bounded on: Schedule A-Property Boundary:- **East By :** Property belongs to Munichennappa, **West By :** Property of Shanubog Ramakrishna, **North By :** Govt. Road, **South By :** Property of Appaianna. Schedule B-Flat Boundary :- **East By :** Set back and Open to Sky, **West By :** Corridor & Flat no-002, **North By :** Open to Sky & Road, **South By :** Corridor & Flat No-003 & 004. **In the Name of Kiran Henry Pinto and Mrs. Lenitto Pinto.**			
	Branch : Bangalore City Branch **A/C No. : 00240210001288**	**Ph.: 080-43472740/56** **IFSC Code : UCBA0000024**	**E-mail : bangal@ucobank.co.in**	
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and seven injured in shooting in Chicago's South Side early on Friday

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	21	11	SNY	Los Angeles	26	13	SNY
Colombo	30	24	TDS	Melbourne	27	16	LC
Dhaka	36	23	SNY	Moscow	4	-2	LC
Dubai	26	17	SNY	New York	19	11	LC
Houston	28	18	SNY	Singapore	32	24	TDS
Istanbul	11	4	LC	Toronto	8	5	SNY
London	12	8	LC	Washington	23	14	SNY

HOUTHIS ATTACK SAUDI OIL TERMINAL

Eight drones carry out attack on sixth anniversary of kingdom's entry into Yemen war

RIYADH

A projectile attack sparked a fire at an oil terminal in southern Saudi Arabia, helping push the oil prices up by nearly four per cent to $64.5 a barrel.

The attack by Yemen's Houthi rebels came on the sixth anniversary of the kingdom's entry into Yemen's civil war.

The assault at Jizan in southwest Saudi Arabia near the border with Yemen came came during what Saudi defense officials described as a barrage of eight bomb-carrying drones launched by the Houthi rebels.

A Houthi military spokesman later claimed a series of attacks on several Saudi military sites and oil facilities, some acknowledged by the kingdom and others not. The kingdom has faced an increasing number of such assaults and the tempo hasn't slowed since it offered a cease-fire deal to the Houthis on Monday.

Oil storage tanks seen in Saudi Arabia's North Jiddah bulk plant | AFP

The attack in Jizan, some 970 kilometers southwest of Riyadh on the Red Sea, struck a distribution facility just after 9 pm on Thursday, the Saudi Energy Ministry said in a statement carried by the state-run Saudi Press Agency. "The attack resulted in a fire in one of the terminal's tanks," the statement said, without elaborating. "The attack left no casualties."

Saudi Arabia did not specifically identify the area struck. However, Jizan is home to a new refinery and port facilities for the energy giant Saudi Arabian Oil Co. The refinery, with a capacity of 4,00,000 barrels a day, sent its first shipment abroad last year..

Jizan and its new refinery long have been targeted by Yemen's Houthi rebels in their campaign against the kingdom. However, satellite pictures from Planet Labs Inc taken Friday morning and analyzed by The Associated Press did not immediately appear to show any damage at that facility.

In a televised speech, Houthi military spokesman Brig Gen Yehia Sarie claimed that the rebels targeted several Aramco sites in the cities of Jizan, Ras Tanura, Yanbu and Rabigh with 18 drones and eight ballistic missiles.

Sarie also claimed the rebels launched another salvo of 12 drones and eight ballistic missiles at King Abdulaziz Air base in Dammam, as six drones also struck military sites in Asir and Najran provinces.

"We affirm that we are ready to carry out a more severe operation," Sarie said.

Energy prices have risen recently off growing demand as Covid vaccinations increase and Suez Canal remains closed due to a massive container ship wedged across the vital waterway. *AP*

Three more killed, further clashes feared

YANGON

MYANMAR activists have called for major anti-coup protests this weekend as the junta marks Armed Forces Day, after a firebomb attack on the headquarters of the deposed civilian leader Aung San Suu Kyi's party. Security forces once again on Friday deployed lethal arms in the southern city of Myeik against protesters wielding shields and homemade rifles, who moved quickly to carry the injured off the streets, according to AFP-verified footage.

At least three people were killed, including a woman who was in her house, said a resident near the crackdown, who witnessed the melee. A senior official from the jail, notorious for being the holding site of longtime political prisoners, said another 322 people have been freed.

"A total of 249 men and 73 women were released," he told AFP on condition of anonymity. It comes on the eve of Saturday's Armed Forces Day, when the military will put on a show of strength with its annual parade. Fears have been swirling that the day could become a flashpoint, as security forces continue to crack down on activists and political allies of Suu Kyi. *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

Imran meets his media team in-person

Islamabad: Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan has come under severe criticism from both the opposition and the public for holding an in-person meet with his media team despite being infected with Covid-19, according to a media report on Friday. Imran (68), tested positive on Saturday last, just a couple of days after receiving an anti-Covid vaccine. First Lady Bushra Bibi also tested Covid-positive the same day. Khan received the first shot of the Chinese-produced Sinopharm vaccine. **PTI**

Trains collide killing 32 people in Egypt

Cairo: A collision between two trains killed at least 32 passengers and left more than 100 injured on Friday in southern Egypt, a country plagued by fatal rail accidents widely blamed on crumbling infrastructure and poor maintenance. President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi pledged tough punishment for those responsible for the crash, which came as his government wrestles with another major transport challenge, a giant container ship blocking the Suez Canal. **AFP**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is issued on behalf of my client **Mr. ABRAHAM PRASAD JADHAV** to bring to the notice of the general public that the original Deed of conveyance dated 13-02-2017 Registered under Sl. No. 476, Document No. 315 of Book No. 1 to 22 in respect of property Sy No. 336/1 of Binnamangala Village, Kelamangala Sub Registration District, Denkanikotai Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu, is lost.

If any person found or holding the said Documents they may contact the undersigned within **7 days** and not to deal with any person.

1. M.K. RAMESH GOWDA, Advocate
Mobile : 98860 19789
2. Abraham Prasad Jadhav
Mobile : 7829992038

IN THE COURT OF 23rd ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BANGALORE
CRL.MISC. No. 488 / 2021

Sri. C. Puttachar ...Petitioner
And
The Commissioner, BBMP ... Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, The Petitioner above named has presented petition to this Hon'ble Court Under Section 13(3) of Registration of Birth & Death Act, 1969 for order for direct the respondent authority to get the date of death of Petitioner- mother by name **Smt.Basamma was died on 06/11/1987** at the resident situated at No.40/1, 4th Cross, Gandhiji Road, Opp. Papa Reddy Building, Ramamurthynagar, Bangalore -560 016. The Hon'ble Court has fixed for hearing **on 26/04/2021.** Anybody can claim or interest shall appear before the Hon'ble Court if person or by pleader duly instructed at **11.00 AM** failing which the said application will be heard and determined as Ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, this 26th day of March 2021.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/- Sheristedar,
XXIII ACMM Court, Bangalore

IN THE COURT OF THE 2nd ADDL. SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT, AT BENGALURU
O.S. No. 1384/2019

BETWEEN: Smt. N.V. Shubha ...Plaintiff
AND
Sri. B. Narasimha Murthy ...Defendant

Defendant : Sri. B. Narasimha Murthy, S/o. Basavaiah, Major, No. 938, 2nd Cross, 3rd Main, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru - 560 040.

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

Whereas the Plaintiff above-named has filed the above Suit against you seeking declaration of title and vacant, physical possession in respect of Suit 'B' Schedule Property i.e., portion of Site Nos. 7 & 8, VP Khata No. 133/134, Ullalu Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on the next date of hearing i.e. **25/05/2021 at 11.00 a.m.** in the forenoon to answer the claim made in the Suit. Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 23rd day of March 2021.

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Senior Civil Judge's Court, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore.

Advocate for Plaintiff : **A.M. VIJAY,** Advocate No. 29, 1st Floor, Park Road, Tasker Town, Bengaluru - 560 051.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
TRIVANDRUM (WORKS BRANCH)
E-TENDER NOTICE
No.V/W/TVC/02/2021 DATED 24/03/2021

Divisional Railway Manager/Works Branch/Trivandrum Division, Trivandrum-14 for and on behalf of the President of India invites online tenders for the following works as per tender notice given in our e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in**. The tenderer(s)/ Contractor(s) to apply for e-tender for WORKS in Trivandrum Division, need to get enrolled in the e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted.

1. Description: Divisional Engineer/ South Jurisdiction –TRR of points and crossing – 61 sets – PB 12-13, 18-19 & 19-20 (1 in 12 – 51 sets & 1 in 8.5 – 10 sets).
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **253.28**
Period of completion in months: **TWELVE**

2. Description: Kalamasseri – NAD siding – Complete track renewal (S) of existing track with 52 Kg rails on PSC sleepers for a length of 5.03 km – Widening of cess between Kalamasseri to NAD.
Approximate value Rs. (in lakh): **120.00**
Period of completion in months: **TWELVE**

3. Description: Kalamasseri – NAD siding – Complete track renewal (S) of existing track with 52 Kg rails on PSC sleepers for a length of 5.03 km – Civil Works.
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **61.44**
Period of completion in months: **EIGHT**

4. Description: Mavelikara – South end parking Area Development.
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **35.12**
Period of completion in months: **THREE**

5. Description: Widening of cess in Nagercoil - Tirunelveli Section
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **100.46**
Period of completion in months: **TWELVE**

6. Description: Sr.Section Engineer/P.Way/Ernakulam section – Secondary Track Renewal works (a) CTR(S) – 0.486 km, TRR(S) 0.240 km and TSR(S) 4.000 km (b) Renewal of sleepers in Ernakulam CD Pit lines – 1.600 km.
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **267.24**
Period of completion in months: **TWELVE**

7. Description: Sr.Divisional Engineer/North Jurisdiction – TRR of Points & Crossings – 38 sets (1 in 16 – 5 sets, 1 in 12 – 17 sets, 1 in 8.5 – 16 sets.)
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **171.60**
Period of completion in months: **TWELVE**

8. Description: Shoranur-Ernakulam-Secondary Track Renewal Works (a) CTR(S) – 0.639km, TRR (S) 0.4.810km and TSR(S) 0.380km.
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **92.37**
Period of completion in months: **TWELVE**

9. Description: Maintaining water supply distribution and daily maintenance in Kottayam section, Staff Quarters and service buildings for one year.
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **15.22**
Period of completion in months: **TWELVE**

10. Description: TVC Divn – Sr.Divisional Engineer/North Jurisdiction – Raising of PF No. 2 & 3 at Wadakkancherri, PF No.1 at Guruvayur.
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **210.47**
Period of completion in months: **FIFTEEN**

11. Description: ERM CD – Provision of Water Recycling Plant
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **159.3**
Period of completion in months: **FIFTEEN**

12. Description: DEN / North Jurisdiction – Provision of New FOB at Ernakulam North
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **207.22**
Period of completion in months: **TWELVE**

13. Description: TVC Division – Proposed PF Shelter at Changanassery (6 bay)
Approximate value Rs.(in lakh): **89.50**
Period of completion in months: **SIX**

Tender Closing date and time:
Sl.No. 1 to 7 : 15/04/2021 at 11.00 hrs
Sl.No. 8 to 13 : 20/04/2021 at 11.00 hrs.

Details of approximate value of tender, EMD & location are given on the e-portal, **www.ireps.gov.in** For Details of bid submission, please refer website portal **'www.ireps.gov.in.**

Senior Divisional Engineer/Co-ordn Trivandrum-14

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B.NAGARAJU
Bettahalsur Village & Post, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District
ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE

This in inform you that our Building Ornamental **Stone Querry Project SIA/KA/MIN/185671/2020** in extent under Survey NO. 17, Chikkagollahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist. Karnataka has been accorded with Environment Clearance under file No. SIA/KA/MIN/185671/2020 dated 22/02/2021 a copy of the same is available with **State Pollution Control Board and at SEIAA's website : http//www.seiaa.kar.nic.in**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, on behalf of my client. Smt.Manuja N B w/o Sri.Ramesha N, resident of Jattipalya village, Kadabagere Post, Magadi Main Road, Bangalore, has lost the following original sale deeds dated 11-03-2002 Doc.No. 16472/01-02, Doc. No.02024/07-08 dated 11-01-2008, Doc. No.1095/02-03 dated 19-04-2002, Doc. No.00 837/08-09 dated 25-08-2008 and Doc.No.00554/2012-13 dated 10-05-2012 in respect of the schedule property. She had lodged a complaint to the jurisdictional police on 24-03-2021, but could not trace out the same in spite of her best efforts. Any person(s) coming into possession of the aforesaid document or dealing with the said document would do so at their own risk and responsibility and my client shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for any loss incurred by such person/s on account of any such unauthorized dealing. If any person/s having any claim, right, title or interest in respect of the property. may intimate the same in writing with supported documents to the undersigned within 7 days from this notice. Failing which my client believing that there are no claims, or objections whatsoever, will proceed without the original document and use the certified copy to enforce the same for all future transactions.

SCHEDULE

Item No.I. All that Piece and parcel of H.L.No.4, Khatha No.40, Present Khatha SL.No.857, Property No.43/4, Assessment No.848/1, situated at Channenahalli village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore South taluk, measuring East to West 29.06 feet and North to South 45 feet. in all 1327.5 Sft, and bounded on : East by :others property, West by : Road. North by: Road and South by: Property No.5.

Item No.II. All that Piece and parcel of H.L.No.5, Khatha No.59, Present Khatha SL.No.72, Property No.40/5, Assessment No.37, situated at Channenahalli village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore South taluk, measuring East to West 29.06 feet and North to South 45 feet, in all 1327.5 Sft, and bounded on: East by : Others property West by : Road, North by: property No.4 and South by: others Property.

A.V.Sathyanarayana Murthy, B.Com., LL.B, Advocate,
Flat No.201, SIRI JAYA ENCLAVE
Uttarahalli, Bangalore-61,
Mob: 9342593673

Date: 27-03-2021
Place: Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that the Notice is hereby given that Shri. SHASHI KUMAR S and Smt. HEMALATHA A has lost BDA Katha with respect to their property #278, Brahmaputra Road, Sir M Visvesvaraya Nagara 8th Block, Bangalore 560091.

Hence, this is to inform the General Public at large in view of destruction of said document, any claim by person/s, institution/s. etc., that they have the said BDA katha in their custody /security shall not be taken as evidence and shall not be acted upon. Residentialaddress: Shri.SHASHI KUMAR S #278, Brahmaputra Road, Sir M Visvesvaraya Nagara 8th Block, Bangalore 560091.

Govt. of Karnataka
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD DIVISION KALABURAGI
No: EE/PWD/KD/TS-6/Tender Notification/2020-21/9253 Dated: 25.03.2021

TENDER NOTIFICATION

1) Name of Work : Executive Engineer PWD Division Kalaburagi Invites tender for the 01 Work under 8443 for indent No **134352,** 2) Estimate Cost : **Rs. 66.95 Lakhs,** 3) Eligibility of Contractor : Class-I & above, 4) Eligibility fees and EMD Details : Application fees as per e-procurement, 5) Last date for queries : 16-04-2021 (17.30 Hrs), 6) Last date for submission of tender : 17-04-2021 (16.00 Hrs), 7) Date of opening of Technical Bid : 19-04-2021 (16.30 Hrs), 8) Date of opening of Financial Bid : 20-04-2021 (16.30 Hrs), 9) Enquiries : Office of the Executive Engineer PWD Division Kalaburagi, 10) website : www.e-proc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division Kalaburagi

DIP/Kalaburagi/1157/MC&A/2020-21

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act.) read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (the said Rules). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the said Rules, the Authorised Officer of IIFL Home Finance Ltd. (IIFL HFL) (Formerly known as India India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s), to repay the amount mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them. In connection with above, notice is hereby given, once again, to the Borrower(s) to pay within 60 days from the publication of this notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest from the date(s) of Demand Notice till the date of payment. The detail of the Borrower(s), amount due as on date of Demand Notice and security offered towards repayment of loan amount are as under:-

Name of the Borrower (s) / Guarantor (s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of secured asset (immovable property)
Mr. Chiranjit Nath, Mrs. Srabasti Banerjee, (Prospect No. **879196, IL10042483**)	**24-March-2021 Prospect No.879196 Rs. 2,31,077/-**(Rupees Two Lakh Thirty One Thousand Seventy Seven Only) **Prospect No. IL10042483 Rs. 29,65,094/-** (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Ninety Four Only)	All that piece and parcel of the property being : **Flat No B2f0902, Admeasuring 679 Sq. Ft., Pashmina Brookwood 9Th Floor, Sy.No.22/1, 22/2 & 22/3, 23/1, Kammasandra Village Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore, Karnataka, India, 560001**
Mr. Veeresh G C, Mr.Chikkaverappa, Mrs.Rathnamma (Prospect No. **873947, 920055**)	**23-March-2021 Prospect No.873947 Rs.9,66,148/-** (Rupees Nine Lakh Sixty Six Thousand One Hundred Forty Eight Only) **Prospect No.920055 Rs.80,764/-** (Rupees Eighty Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Four Only)	All that piece and parcel of the property being : Khatha No. 426, Site No 08/C, Property No 304-1/8, admeasuring 15x39+43/2 Rts, Municipality Property I.D No. 3-5-1086, its property No. 8479/304-1/8479, Muncipal Assessment No. 8479/304-1/8479, Harlapura Village, Harihara, Davangere, 577601, Karnataka, India

If the said Borrowers fail to make payment to IIFL HFL as aforesaid, IIFL HFL may proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the said Act. and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks, costs and consequences of the Borrowers. For, further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office:-** "ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025/Or Branch Office:- 654, Andanur Complex,1st Floor,Binny Company Road,HM Road,Beside HDFC BANK, Davangere - 577001/Or **Corporate Office :** IIFL Tower, Plot No.98, Udyog Vihar, Phase-IV Gurugram,Haryana.

Place: Bangalore Date: 27-03-2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer For IIFL Home Finance Ltd. (IIFL HFL)**

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME

I, RATHNAM, resident of No.503/2, Syndicate Bank Road, Venkata Reddy, Doddakallasandra, Bangalore-560 062, Karnataka, India, have changed my name to RATHNA, For all purposes vide affidavit dated 24/03/2021 before Notary Mahesha. J. J, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANJANAMMA JAYARAM** R/at No.1031/C, 40th Cross, 4th T Block, Jayanagar Bangalore-560041 have changed my name to **ANJANA JAYARAM THIMMAPPA** vide affidavit dated: 24/3/2021 Before Notary **ARAVIND PATIL G.G** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VISHWANATHA BANDENALLASANDRA PAPANNA,** S/o Papanna, R/at Bandenallasandra, Jigani, Bangalore-560105, have changed my name as **VISHWANATH BANDENALLASANDRA PAPANNA,** vide affidavit dated 26.03.2021, before Notary Public **H.S. DHARMA PRASAD,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RINKU DEVI,** aged about 34 years, W/o Tarun Kumar, R/at #265, 2nd Floor, Akkamahadevi Main Road, Akkipet, Near Corporation Vegetable Market, Bengaluru-560053, Karnataka State, have changed my name from **RINKU KUMARI KISHORILAL JAIN** to **RINKU DEVI,** vide affidavit dated 18.03.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary **C.V. EARAPPA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

It is for general information that I **ARCHANA RAJEEV** D/o Late N. S. SHAM BHOJ, and Ex-wife of **H R Rajeev,** resident of No.1330, 1st Floor, 8th Main, A Block, 2nd Stage, Rajajinagar, Subramanyanagar, Bangalore-560010 declare that I got divorce from my husband vide court decree ordered by the I Addl. Principal Judge, Family court Case No. M.C. 1622/2007 dtd 19th June 2008. Further, I have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **ARCHANA BHOJ. N.S.** It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirements in this connection.

ARCHANA RAJEEV

Vide affidavit dated 22.02.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary **K.H. JAGADISH,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANITHA VIVEK** D/o R. Anguswamy, W/o Vivek Chakravorthy, aged about 26 years, R/at No.1255, 1st B Cross, 20th Main, 2nd Phase, J P Nagar, Bangalore 560078, Karnataka, have changed my name from **ANITHA A** to **"ANITHA VIVEK"** vide affidavit dated 26.03.2021 sworn before Notary **Neha Baddi,** at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHILPA GANJI,** aged about 40 years, D/o Mr. Gowrishankar Ganji, W/o Mr. Girishankar .M.S, R/at No.20, Wilson Garden Housing Building Layout, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Near Someshwara Bhavan, J.P. Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore South, J.P. Nagar, Bangalore-560078, have changed my name from **SHILPA GANJI** to **SHILPA GIRISHANKAR,** vide affidavit dated 26.03.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary **LEELA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **M.H. PRASHANTH** S/o M V Hanumantha Rao residing at Madabal Village, Madabal Hobli, V.G Doddi post, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagara District- 561201 have changed my name to **M.H. PRASHANTH RAO** vide affidavit dated 10.03.2021 sworn before notary Devaraj, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, the undersigned **RIAY** (New Name), previously called **BIRD AKTHAR,** (Old Name), aged about 24 years, D/o. Mr. AJUL, resident at Kalparuksha No. 24 & 25, Vysalanagar, 8th Main, 11th Cross, Netaji Road, Ramamurthy Nagar Extension, Bangalore – 560016, Karnataka, India, do hereby solemnly declare and states that I have changed my name from **BIRD AKTHAR** to **RIAY** by swearing to an affidavit in front of Notary public **Mr. K.B. Sadha Shivappa** on 24/03/2021 for all purposes.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **CHAVAN RAMESH BHANUBAS RAO, 14627077A, HAV, R/o 6/12, DGQA Residential Complex, Gunatha Vihar, Bangalore-560002,** have wrongly mentioned my wife's name in service record as **ROHINI** instead of **ROHINI RAMESH CHAVAN (Correct Name),** vide affidavit dated 25-03-2021 before Notary public Advocate **O S CHENGAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ASHWAQ,** R/a #61, 3rd Cross, Ramakrishna Hegde Nagar, Dr. SRK Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560077, Karnataka State, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ASHWAQ** to **ASHWAQ KHAN,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **ASHWAQ KHAN** only, vide affidavit dated 26-03-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **S.I. BALAGURU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **CHANDRA KUMAR SRINIVAS** (New Name) S/o Srinivas .M, aged 23 years, R/a No. 147, 2nd A Cross, Abbigere Colony, Chikkabanavara, Bengaluru-560090 have changed my name from previously called **CHANDRAKUMAR** (Old Name) to **CHANDRA KUMAR SRINIVAS** (New Name) vide affidavit dated 26-03-2021, before Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANUSHA,** aged about 23 years, D/o. Sri Shivayogi M Banakar, R/at 269, 1st Main, 1st Block, Sai Lotus Layout, Channasandra, Rajarajeshwari Nagar Bangalore -560098, have changed my name to **ANUSHA S BANAKAR**

Vide affidavit dated 26-03-2021 sworn before Notary S.R. Thulasikrishna, Bangalore

AFFIDAVIT

I, **PUTTARAMAIAH J,** S/o Sri Chikkanna, also known as Jinnagangaiah, R/o Jattipalya Village, Channenahalli Dakale, Kadabagere Post, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-562 130, Date of Birth: 22-07-1992 do hereby declare that my father name is **CHIKKANNA** also known as **JINNAGANGAIAH,** Mother name is **RANGAMMA** and my wife name is **SAVITHA KUMAR G.,** vide affidavit dated 26th March 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **Puttaramaiah** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SERVICE NO. 15320571L** HAV Prakash Kotagi Unit:RHQ 19 ENGR REGT, C/o 56 APO, PIN:914019, have changed my Daughter name from **SAMRUDHI** to **SAMRUDHI KOTAGI,** vide affidavit Dated 24/03/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NIRMALA,** Spouse of No. 15320571L HAV Prakash Kotagi House No. 1080, Street Shiv Basav Colony, Vill:Pant Nagar, Post:Pant Balekundri, Taluk & Dist-Belagavi, State:Karnataka, PIN:591103, have changed my name from **NIRMALA** to **NIRMALA.P.KOTAGI,** vide affidavit Dated 24/03/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SERVICE NO. 16113037X** SPR G.Ganesan, Unit of 222 FD Coy 22 ENGR REGT, C/o 56 APO, PIN:914022, have changed my Mother name from **POONAMMAL** to **PONNAMMAL.G** and DOB: 01/07/1953 to 05/04/1935 vide affidavit Dated 25/03/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

WE, HEMANTH.N & MARY PRETINA.I, residing at No. 19/1, Circular Street, A.T.Halli, Shanthinagar, Bangalore-560027, we have changed my Minor Son's name from **YUVIN JASON.H** to **YUVIN.H** vide affidavit Dated 26/03/2021 sworn before Notary G.B. Turamari, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) JOHN HEMANTH.N,** residing at No. 19/1, Circular Street, A.T.Halli, Shanthinagar, Bangalore-560027, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) JOHN HEMANTH.N** to **(NEW NAME) HEMANTH.N** vide affidavit Dated 26/03/2021 sworn before Notary G.B. Turamari, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **TARUN GUPTA** Aged about 18 years, S/o Nishchay Prakash student and resident at No. 258, 1st Floor, 11th Cross, Vidyagiri Layout, Near Nagarabhavi, Bangalore - 560 072, Karnataka, States that I'am changing my name from **TARUN GUPTA NISHCHAY PRAKASH** to **TARUN GUPTA** and henceforth my name shall be known as **TARUN GUPTA (New name)** for all purposes. Sworn before me H.S. Sakalesh Aradhya Advocate & Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHANTHI MALLIAH,** W/o Mohan K, R/at no. 54/33, 11th main, opp Haravijaya apartment, Ittamadu, BSK 3rd stage, Bengaluru-560085, have changed my name as **SHANTHI MOHAN** and my spouse's previous name was **MOHAN** which has been changed to **MOHAN KANAGASABAPATHY** vide affidavit dated 26/03/2021 before notary M K Devaki at Bengaluru.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I, SRI ASHOKA.S S/o. Subbanna, Residing at # 62, Jayamma Building, Pillappa Layout, Puthurcut Road, Devasandara, Krishnarajapuram, Bangalore-560036. Pernment address Pathakote Village, Lakshipura Post, Nelavanki Hobile, Srinivasapura Taluk, Do hereby solemnly affirm that Oath as follows:- I further declare that my name **ASHOK S** mentioned in my Electrol Card No. RCS7739337 and but my name is **ASHOKA S** mentioned in my Aadhaar Card and Pan Card. Today onward my correct name is **ASHOKA S.** Vide affidavit dated 23rd March 2021, Sworn before Notary C. Muniswamy, Bangalore.

OTHERS

GENERAL

Public Notice

I, Mythili Sampath, W/o Sh. Narasimhan Sampathkumar Mallur, R/o Flat No.1N,Block B, Lake View County, Manipal County Road, Singhasandra, Bangalore-560068, Karnataka, India.

My name mentioned in some documents is written as Mythili Sampath Kumar and in some documents as Mythili Sampath. Mythili Sampath Kumar and Mythili Sampath is the same Person.

I May be Known as Mythili Sampath for all future purposes.

LOST

LOST

I, **Vinay Kumar.R.P** S/o. R.V.Purnachandra Residing at No.1745, 4th 'C' Cross,9th Main, HAL 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560075 have Lost my Orginal 2nd PUC Transfer Certificate No. **SJPUC/208/TC31732,** while Shifting my house, Place of Issue: St.Joseph's Pre-University College, F.M.Cariappa (Residency) Road, Bangalore. Finder Please Contact: 7892629403. Lost Report Complaint Number-128618.

LOST

It is notified for the information that my Original/Duplicate Qualifying Examination Certificate of Main/ Compartment, Secondary, Senior Secondary Examination of Year 2005 and Roll No.4116411 issued by CBSE has been actually lost/destroyed/ mutilated. Name of the candidate M Hassan Rashid Full Address/Tel. Houseno.18, Shivapura, Kattigenahalli, Bagalur Cross, AFS Post, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560063.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to Purchase the Schedule Property from its present owner Sri. Suresh, S/o. Gallappa and any person having objection / claim to the property, may represent to the undersigned within **10 days**, failing which my client would proceed further in the matter.

SCHEDULE

Property bearing Site No.91, in Maruthi Nagar Layout, Vajarahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, Measuring East to West:40 Feet, North to South:30 Feet, in Sy. No.92, with E Khatha No.150300701900900469 and bounded on:-

East by : Site No.74,
West by : Road,
North by : Road,
South by : Site No.90.

Smt. B. L. Deelakshi, Advocate, No.40/1, 1st D Cross, Nanjappa Reddy Garden, M. K. Nagar, Yeshwanthpura, Bengaluru - 560 022. Mob: 7090402427.
Bengaluru, Dated : 26.03.2021

CAUTION NOTICE

My client Mr. Manoharlal Jain S/o. Javerchandji, R/at No. 45B, Kalpavriksha Apartments, 4th Floor, Race Course Road, Madhavanagar, Bengaluru – 560 001, has informed with instructions to cause this Caution Notice with respect to my client having resigned/retired from the LLP Firm M/s MEDIGETZS LLP, No.42, 1st Floor, 57th 'B' Cross, 4th Block, Opp. to Spandana Nursing Home, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru – 560 010 with effect from 24.03.2021. That the designated Partner Mr.Jai Bachawat has duly acknowledged and accepted the resignation as Partner of the said LLP. The public at large are hereby informed that my client has no connection or there was any liability as on 24.03.2021 and has resigned from the said LLP as partner and my client will not be responsible in any way in respect of any of the business transactions or the assets and liabilities of the said LLP. In this regard, my client has also informed the Registrar of Companies, Karnataka regarding the resignation as Partner from the said LLP with a copy to the Assistant Drug Controller. This Notice issued as an abundant caution.

D. PRABHAKAR, Advocate
202, 2nd Floor, Jala Shambhavi Complex, 23/22, 1st Main, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru – 560 009.
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There is no tender fee. Download of Tenders w.e.f 26.03.2021 @ 10 AM. Last date for receipt of tender up to 2.00 PM on 15.04.2021 and opening of technical bid @ 3.00 PM on 16.04.2021.
Detailed Tender Notice and Bid document shall be seen and / or down loaded from website **www.fci.gov.in** and **https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app** and payment of EMD by RTGS/NEFT.
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The design principle of the new guidelines will control the volume cap, but it will ensure that the users on-boarded already are not impacted and that their transaction will not decline...

NPCI circular

NPCI caps UPI transactions to check monopoly

BISMAH MALIK @Bengaluru

THE National Payments Council of India (NPCI) has set out new norms that limit digital payment apps' share in the overall volume of transactions on the unified payment interface (UPI) at 30 per cent in a bid to end the monopoly of Big Tech firms on the growing payments market in India. Players have time until January 2023 to comply with the norms. In the case of non-compliance, however, the regulator could prevent them from on-boarding new users.

According to the new guidelines, the NPCI will send three alerts to the third party payment aggregators (TPAs) and its partner banks when they hit a specified UPI transactions cap. Upon breaching the 30 per cent cap, TPAs will get six months exemption on "case-to-case basis" so as to not disrupt the user experience. The payment apps will have to acknowledge after receiving the alerts from the regulator. The NPCI has also started publishing UPI transactions by value and volume on its website monthly and will be monitoring the TPAs for a three-months period.

Walmart-backed Phone Pe and Google Pay, which command more than 80 per cent of the market share as of December 2020, have onboarded millions of users on their platforms. Analysts are divided on whether the specified guidelines will also be applicable to Paytm, which is now a payments bank and has third highest share in the market. Amazon Pay and Whatsapp Pay, too, have rolled out their payments services in India last year in addition to many other homegrown firms.

"This is done in a way to ensure that the users on-boarded already are not impacted and that their transaction will not decline, to the extent possible. Further there will be a provision to exempt the players to some extent when the Volume cap is reached, so that it does not create sudden disruption in the market," NPCI stated.

NPCI said it expects UPI transactions volumes to treble to two billion per day with growing smartphone usage and internet penetration.

Curtains not down on Tata-Mistry feud yet

Valuation of Shapoorji Pallonji Group's 18.4 per cent stake in Tata Sons could be the next bone of contention

SUNITHA NATTI

THE thumb rule in bargaining is to start the bid at half the asking price. Most Indians excel at it, but sparring partners Tata Sons and Shapoorji Pallonji Group are about to find themselves in a similar situation. On the block is SP Group's contentious 18.4 per cent stake in Tata Sons, which it values at ₹1.75 lakh crore. However, the Tatas peg it at less than half at ₹70,000-80,000 crore.

Both parties are now expected to start negotiations, but the manner in which they'll arrive at a mutually-acceptable price will be closely watched.

The stake sale is critical for both companies to reduce debt. While SP Group with a debt of about ₹23,000 crore has been scouting for funds since last year, Tata Sons' with a debt of ₹1.96 lakh crore (all group firms) must put the matter to rest to focus on growth.

The Supreme Court's (SC) verdict on Friday was in favour of Tata Sons' on all counts (including upholding Tata Sons' decision sacking Cyrus Mistry as its Chairman and Executive Director), the 3-judge bench led

by Chief Justice S A Bobde, however, decided not to adjudicate on the issue of shares and instead suggested legal route to resolve the matter.

"The valuation of the shares of SP Group depends upon the value of the stake of Tata Sons in listed equities, unlisted equities, immovable assets etc., and also perhaps the funds raised by SP Group on the security/pledge of these shares. Therefore at his stage and in this Court, we cannot adjudicate on the fair compensation. We will leave it to the parties to take the Article 75 route or any other legally available route in this regard," the SC ruled. Trouble is, Article 75 was the very provision that the SP Group had objected to, saying it ignores "constitutionally valid safeguards in company law," with respect to minority shareholders. It mandates minority shareholders to approach the Tata Sons board with an offer and also grants the board the power of first right of refusal to either buy the stake, or get investors.

In essence, attempts to offload stake could be either long-drawn or see a deadend given that the list of investors with billions of dollars to spare is usually limited.

While the verdict does bring finality to the long-drawn corporate boardroom battle, much depends on whether the sparring partners can find a middle path.

Aramco needs crude at over $65 to raise capex, buy RIL stake, say analysts

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STRAINED capital expenditure budgets for Saudi Aramco and a parallel fall in crude oil prices are both factors that may have delayed the company picking up a stake in Reliance Industries' oil-to-chemical (O2C) unit, note analysts from global brokerage house Jefferies. However, a crude price averaging at around $65 per barrel would help Aramco achieve the required capex to buy a stake, they added, since both companies have indicated that talks are still going on regarding their earlier announced partnership.

In August 2019, Reliance had announced that talks had begun for the sale of a 20 per cent stake in the O2C business to Aramco. A non-binding MoU was signed between the two entities, though the deal has so far failed to fructify due to undisclosed reasons. Analysts have noted even earlier that the turmoil in crude oil prices last year had potentially complicated valuation negotiations. However, both entities indicate that they are continuing to discuss the deal.

$75 bn
Annual dividend payout to shareholders as pledged by Aramco

Crude prices up again
The blockage of the Suez tunnel due to a ship that ran aground has given a leg up to Brent crude prices, which rose 4% to hit $64.4 per barrel.

Investment bank Morgan Stanley had noted last week that Aramco's 2020 earnings conference call shows that it is "still in discussion with Reliance to evaluate existing opportunities as potential partners, regarding the non-binding MoU signed with Reliance for its O2C business." Jefferies analysts add that Aramco's IPO prospectus mentioned its focus on downstream investments in high growth economies of China, India and Southeast Asia. "An investment in RIL's O2C subsidiary could give Aramco a similar footprint - a stake in India's largest O2C project with a long-term crude supply agreement and a participation in fuel retailing via the RIL-BP joint venture," they wrote.

Aramco's pledge to pay a $75 billion annual dividend, however, has limited its capex budget to about $35-40 billion.

ASIANOMICS

HONG KONG

RESIDENTS SHIFT BILLIONS ABROAD AFTER CLAMPDOWN

As China imposed a sweeping national security law in Hong Kong last year after massive protests, residents of the city moved billions of dollars across the globe to Canada, where they hope to forge a new future. Capital flows out of Hong Kong banks reaching Canada's anti-money laundering agency, FINTRAC which receives reports on transfers above C$10,000 said. The previously unreported outflows, the highest since 2012 when the earliest FINTRAC records are available, are the first evidence of a significant flight of capital overseas from the Asian financial hub. The Hong Kong government has said the city has not seen such capital outflows in the anti-government unrest that first began in 2019. The record transfers, up 46 per cent from 2016 and up 10 per cent from 2019, came in a year when Hong Kong policy froze the accounts of many people triggering concern about asset safety.

JAPAN

RECORD BUDGET CLEARS PARLIAMENT

Japan's record $1trillion budget for the upcoming financial year was approved by the Parliament on Friday, raising speculation of still more spending in response to the coronavirus pandemic. The $975.83 billion budget for the year beginning April features 5 trillion yen in emergency spending related to the pandemic. That follows three Covid-19 packages worth a combined $3 trillion already rolled out in the current fiscal year. The world's third-largest economy stands on the cusp of a slump in the current quarter due to the coronavirus-related state of emergency that was imposed from early January through last week for Tokyo and some other areas. The budget reached the record high level due to snowballing social security spending to support the country's rapidly ageing population as well as record defence spending to counter threats from North Korea and China.

SINGAPORE

TEMASEK SEES IMPACT INVESTING AT TIPPING POINT

Singapore's Temasek Holdings believes that impact investing has reached an inflection point, with the coronavirus pandemic highlighting deep social imbalances that have intensified the need for such forms of investments. Such investments, made to generate positive, measurable social and environmental impact, as well as financial returns, grew to Singapore dollar 715 billion in 2019 from Singapore dollar 502 billion a year ago, according to estimates. This month, Temasek, one of the world's largest state investors, announced a Singapore dollar 500 million allocation to Asia and Africa-focused Leapfrog investments, in the single biggest commitment to an impact fund manager. Leapfrog invests in financial services and healthcare in emerging markets. Two years ago, Temasek's philanthropic arm set up ABC World Asia, a private quiet fund for such investments.

NEW ROLE

Anish Shah to helm M&M as MD, CEO from April

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MUMBAI-based IT-to-auto conglomerate Mahindra & Mahindra has appointed Anish Shah as the next managing director and chief executive officer of Mahindra Group, effective from April 2, 2021.

Shah, who currently serves as the deputy managing director and chief financial officer at Mahindra, would become the first professional in Group's history to have a complete oversight of and responsibility for the Mahindra Group businesses. In December last year, M&M had announced top management succession plan, according to which Anand Mahindra would become non-executive chairman In November 2021 and Pawan Goenka, after three decades of association with the company, will retire as the MD and CEO as well as from the Board of Directors, effective April 2, 2021.

In his role as the MD and CEO, Goenka led the important automobile and farm equipment sector at Mahindra. Rajesh Jejurikar, Executive Director will take full charge of these sectors and will report to Shah. "Anish embodies the spirit of Rise and brings an exceptional leadership track record, strong international exposure and a unique ability to forge long-standing relationships with our customers, partners and employees. I believe that there is no better person to lead Mahindra into the future," the company said in a statement on Friday.

The appointment of Shah was also announced two days after two-wheeler maker TVS had said that Ralf Speth, the former CEO of Jaguar Land Rover, will take over as chairman in January 2023.

Euphoria surrounding IPOs may finally be fading

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THE post-covid IPO bubble appears to have finally burst with shares of at least four firms that listed on the bourses in March trading at a discount to their issue price.

On Friday, shares of Kalyan Jewellers India Ltd closed the day with a discount of 15.5 per cent in its debut trade as against an issue price of ₹87, while Suryoday Small Finance Bank Ltd shares closed with a discount of nearly 11 per cent from the issue price of ₹305. The weak debut of these stocks follows the subdued listing pattern that some of the recent IPOs have seen. On Thursday, debutant Craftsman Automation got listed at a 9.4 per cent discount. The day before, Anupam Rasayan also put up a poor show on Dalal Street.

One of the reasons why IPO gains have been drying up is because the IPO valuations were pricey, leaving relatively little money for investors, say analysts. In the case of Suryoday Small Finance Bank, the receding IPO optimism could also be the result of its poor asset quality. "While its reported GNPA at 0.78 per cent offers comfort, proforma GNPA at 9.28 per cent and NPA at 5.38 per cent as on 9MFY21 are significantly higher than peers. This clearly means that its exposure to MFIs (inclusive finance loan forms 70 per cent of gross loan book) may have more pains, going forward, which can impact its profitability ratios and hence premium valuation," Vikas Jain, senior research analysts, Reliance Securities said in a note.

Analysts also said that at upper price band of ₹87, Kalyan Jewellers is asking for market cap of ₹8,961 crore which is on the higher side. Moreover, the financials of the jeweller lagged on the revenue performance meaningfully. Over FY18-20, the company's revenues have declined at a compounded annual growth rate (CAGR) of two per cent.

New owners of Air India likely by mid-2021: Puri

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THE government is looking at a new timeline for Air India and the future owners for the troubled airline would walk in as early as the end of May or June this year. Speaking at the India Economic Conclave on Friday, Civil Aviation Minister Hardeep Puri said that the government is close to inviting financial bids for the carrier.

"We are looking at another timeline now, what is called a data room for prospective bidders to look at... that is opened up, 64 days for the financial bids to come in. After that it is the question of taking a decision and handing over the airline," Puri said. If reports are to be believed, the Tata Group and SpiceJet Chairman Ajay Singh have been shortlisted so far to bid for Air India. Noting that there is no choice but to either "privatise or close" the national carrier, Puri said the government will have to keep the airline running till it gets divested. "There is no choice, we either privatise or we close the airline. We run a loss of Rs 20 crore every day despite Air India making money now. Because the mismanagement has resulted in a cumulative debt of ₹60,000 crore," Puri said. He added, "I don't have the capacity to keep going to Nirmala ji (finance minister) and say please give me some money."

When asked on the domestic aviation sector, Puri said that "if we had not seen the virus raising its ugly head again, I would have opened up domestic civil aviation 100 per cent by April 1 in the summer schedule... The total revival of the sector in terms of domestic aviation, opening up, has been delayed by 15-20 days."

ASHOK LEYLAND UNVEILS 14-WHEELER DTLA TRUCK AVTR 4120

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ASHOK Leyland on Friday launched a four-axle 8x2 dual tyre lift axle (DTLA) truck, a 14-wheeler AVTR 4120, which has a capacity of 40.5 tonne Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW). According to the company, it is India's first 4-axle 8x2 DTLA 14-wheeler truck.

This new truck offers an additional five tonne payload compared to standard 8x2 trucks with better Total Cost of Ownership (TCO). "Our endeavour has always been to address the needs of our customers and deliver better profitability for them and AVTR 4120 is one step towards this offering the customer flexibility," said Vipin Sondhi, managing director, Ashok Leyland. AVTR 4120 is fitted with 12.5-tonne DTLA with parallelogram technology which ensures better tyre life. This product also offers the customer flexibility to operate a large band of GVW from 28tonne to 40.5 tonne with total cost of operation benefits.

"We have last year launched AVTR – India's first Modular Truck platform to address the varied Load-Road-Application and customer requirements. AVTR 4120 is powered with 200 HP engine with iGen6 technology offering superior power, performance and fluid efficiency," said Anuj Kathuria, COO, Ashok Leyland, adding that this product is set to give flexibility to customers.

EXPRESS READ

JSW Steel buys BPSL, creditors get ₹19K cr

New Delhi: Sajjan Jindal-led JSW Steel Ltd has paid ₹19,350 crore to Bhushan Power and Steel Ltd's (BPSL) financial creditors to implement the resolution plan for acquiring the bankrupt steelmaker, the company said in a stock exchange filing on Friday. BPSL has an integrated steel production capacity of 2.5 million tonnes per annum in Jharsuguda, Odisha which takes JSW Steel past Tata Steel's India capacity of 19.63 million tons a year.

Promoters of Hathway to offload 19% stake

New Delhi: The promoter entities of Hathway Cable and Datacom Ltd plan to offload about 19 per cent stake in the company, entailing 33.79 crore shares at floor price of ₹25.25 per equity share. The offer for sale of Hathway Cable and Datacom by the promoter entities — Jio Content Distribution Holdings, Jio Internet Distribution Holdings and Jio Cable and Broadband Holdings — is aimed at complying with the minimum public shareholding norms.

TEXTILE

AEPC seeks restrictions on cotton yarn exports

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THE Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC) has sought urgent intervention of the government for imposing quantitative restrictions and export duty on export of cotton yarn from India. In a letter to the union textile minister, the council raised concerns about the rising cotton yarn in the last four months due to which the entire value chain in the industry has been affected.

"We request your kind immediate intervention to increase the supply of yarn to domestic

manufacturers. We suggest that quantitative restrictions should be imposed on exports of cotton yarn, specifically on cotton yarn of 26 counts and above," said AEPC chairman A Sakthivel. He added that the rate of increase in yarn prices far exceeds that of cotton prices. The rising prices of cotton has affected the handloom and powerloom weavers badly and they are missing on export orders.

The chairman also went on to add that the entire country is the loser if yarn is exported at the cost of domestic and export oriented manufacturing industry. "It is akin to exporting jobs at a time when the entire country is doing its best to get people back to work," he said.

He further recommended that export duty should be levied on exports of cotton yarn. "This will result in a sharp decline in domestic yarn prices and an increase in value addition and employment in the country. This will also help in increasing garment exports. And, it will result in only normal profits accruing to yarn spinners, not the super normal profit owing to the profiteering currently happening," he said.

Meanwhile, the council also urged cotton mill owners to cut yarn prices by ₹20 per kg to support the growth of the sector as rising rates impact cost competitiveness in the wake of in the wake of Cotton Corporation of India reducing prices.

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Sl. No: APMC(ch)/ 1051 /2020-21 Date : 25/03/2021

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Turnkey Package for construction of 220KV D/C line from 400KV S/Stn. Rajpura to 220KV S/Stn. Bassi Pathana - 25Kms. EMD in form of BG in favour of AO/CPC, PSTCL, Patiala. Starting date of downloading of tender is Date of publication. Last date of downloading - 26.4.2021 upto 11:30hrs. Last date/time for bid submission - 27.4.2021 upto 11:30hrs, Date/time for opening of bids - 29.4.2021 at 11:30 hrs.	

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Tender No.29/C-26/OMR Scanning /2019-20 Dated.25.03.2021

Tender Notification

The Secretary, Telangana State Board of Intermediate Education, Hyderabad desires to select a Agency for OMR Scanning and data capturing using Intelligent Character Recognition (ICR) for the year 2020-21 (Intermediate Public Examinations, March 2021 & Intermediate Public Advanced Supplementary Examinations, May/June 2021). The Bidders willing to participate in this tender may visit e-procurement portal https://tender.telangana.in

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1.	Date of commencement of Tender	26.03.2021 (from 05.00P.M.)
2.	Date of Pre-Bid Conference	30.03.2021 (at 11.30 A.M.)
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Tender No : 18-EE-Test-Dkp-2020-21; Design, Engineering, Supply, Installation, Integration, testing and Commissioning of Telemetry and data management system for AMR of ABT Meters of 10 no Power Houses to SLDC Dehradun.

Estimated cost : ₹ 205.87 Lakh + GST extra

Availability of bid document on website : 27-03-2021; 18:00Hrs

Last date for submission of bids on website : 26-04-2021 up to 18:00 Hrs

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ई–निविदा सूचना। E-TENDER NOTICE दिनांक/ Dated. 24.03.2021

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, निम्नलिखित कार्यों हेतु ई-निविदा द्वारा मद-दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।
On behalf of the President of India, item-rate tenders are invited through **e-tendering** for the following works:

क्र.सं. / Sl.No.	कार्य का नाम (सिविल) / NAME OF THE WORK (CIVIL)	प्राक्कलित लागत / Estimated Cost ₹(लाखों में)(in Lakhs)	कार्य पूरा होने की अवधि / Period of completion
1	एनआईटीसं:आईपीआरसी/सीएमजी/टीएस/ई-63/एमआई/सीपीएच-34/2020-21	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-63/MI/CPH-34/2020-21	
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के निदेशक कॉम्प्लेक्स के लिए भू-दृश्य-निर्माण के कार्य। / Landscaping works for Director's complex at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	14.23	02 (दो महीने) / Two months
2	एनआईटीसं:आईपीआरसी/सीएमजी/टीएस/ई-64/एमडब्ल्यू-02/2020-21	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-64/MW-02/2020-21	
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के एम.आर.एस. सब–स्टेशन में 320के.वी.ए. डीजल जेनरेटर सेट के 2 संख्या के लिए डीजल जेनरेटर कक्ष का निर्माण। / Construction of DG room for 2 Nos of 320kVA DG sets at MRS Substation at IPRC, Mahendragiri	70.00	10 (दस महीने) / Ten months
3	एनआईटीसं:आईपीआरसी/सीएमजी/टीएस/ई-65/एमडब्ल्यू-03/2020-21	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TS/e-65/MW-03/2020-21	
	आईपीआरसी, महेंद्रगिरि के विकास इंजन प्रणोद कोष्ठ सुविधा में विकिरण चित्रण कक्ष का विस्तार । / Extension for Radiography bay in Vikas Engine Thrust Chamber facility at IPRC, Mahendragiri.	58.05	06 (छह महीने) / Six months

ऑन–लाइन निवेदन करने की तिथि / Dates for Online Request: From: 26-03-2021 (10:00 बजे / hours) से To: 02-04-2021 (18:00 बजे / hours) तक।

नियत समय व प्रस्तुतीकरण की तिथि / Due Time & Date of Submission :05-04-2021(18:00 hours/बजे) तक।

अधिक जानकारी के लिए देखें / For further details visit: **www.isro.gov.in/tenders** (or) **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**

नोट: उपर्युक्त कार्य(कार्यों) के लिए भविष्य में सभी पत्राचार (शुद्धिपत्र) केवल उपर्युक्त वेबसाइट पर ही प्रकाशित किए जाएंगे। Note : All future correspondence (Corrigenda) for the above work(s) shall be published only on the websites mentioned above.

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KARJEEVANAHALLI / GUILALU TOLL PLAZA
IRB TUMKUR CHITRADURGA TOLLWAY LIMITED
NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE ON REVISED USER FEE (TOLL) RATES AT **KARJEEVANAHALLI / GUILALU** TOLL PLAZA APPLICABLE FROM **1st April 2021**. The public are hereby informed that pursuant to approval of revised user fee rates vide letter dated **25.03.2021** of NHAI, the user fee rates for use of the section from Km **62.000** to Km **132.000**, **Tumkur - Sira** section (including Bypass) of NH- **48 (Old NH-4)** are going to be revised as under w.e.f. **1st April 2021** at **00.00 Hrs. Karjeevanahalli** Toll plaza (Chainage: **104.530** Km near **Karjeevanahalli** village, **Tumkur** district) & the section from Km **132.000** to Km **189.000 ,Sira - Chitradurga** section of NH- **48 (Old NH-4)** are going to be revised as under w.e.f. **1st April 2021** at **00.00 Hrs. Guilalu** Toll plaza (Chainage: **172.770** km near **Guilalu** village **Chitradurga** district) in the state of **Karnataka**:

For Toll Plaza Karjeevanahalli at Km 104.530 of NH-48 (Old NH-4) Tollable length is 70 Kms

Category of vehicle	Only FASTag Fee for single journey (in Rs.)	Only FASTag Fee for return journey within a day (in Rs.)	Only FASTag Fee for monthly pass valid for 50 journeys in a month (in Rs.)
Car/ Jeep/ Van or Light motor vehicle	85	130	2915
Light commercial vehicle, Light Goods vehicle or Mini bus	140	210	4700
Bus or Truck (Two axles)	295	445	9850
Heavy construction machinery (HCM) or Earth Moving Equipment (EME) or multi axle vehicle (MAV) (Three to Six axles)	465	695	15450
Oversized vehicle (seven or more axles)	565	850	18810

The rates for monthly pass applicable for local non - commercial vehicle resides within a radial distance of 20 Km from the toll plaza for the year 2021-22 shall be Rs.285/-

For Toll Plaza Guilalu at Km 172.770 of NH-48 (Old NH-4) Tollable length is 57 Kms

Category of vehicle	Only FASTag Fee for single journey (in Rs.)	Only FASTag Fee for return journey within a day (in Rs.)	Only FASTag Fee for monthly pass valid for 50 journeys in a month (in Rs.)
Car/ Jeep/ Van or Light motor vehicle	70	105	2350
Light commercial vehicle, Light Goods vehicle or Mini bus	115	170	3790
Bus or Truck (Two axles)	240	360	7945
Heavy construction machinery (HCM) or Earth Moving Equipment (EME) or multi axle vehicle (MAV) (Three to Six axles)	375	560	12460
Oversized vehicle (seven or more axles)	455	685	15170

The rates for monthly pass applicable for local non - commercial vehicle resides within a radial distance of 20 Km from the toll plaza for the year 2021-22 shall be Rs.285/-

As per Gazette notification G.S.R.298 that user fee vehicle not fitted with "FASTag" or vehicle without valid, functional "FASTag" entering in to "FASTag lane" of the Fee Plazas shall pay a fee equivalent to two times of the fee applicable to that category of vehicle as per sub –rule(2)of rule 4"

2. The above rates are applicable for a completed length of **70 Km,** which comprises of **70 Km** road length for Toll Plaza Karjeevanahalli at Km **104.530** & The above rates are applicable for a completed length of **57 Km,** which comprises of **57 Km** road length **for Toll Plaza Guilalu at Km 172.770**
3. The following concessions are available at above toll plaza.
(i) Return Journey within 24 hours from time of payment for all categories of vehicles (discount 25%)
(ii) 50 or more single journeys in a month from date of payment for all categories of vehicle (discount 33%).
(iii) Pass at **Rs.285/-** per calendar month for non–commercial vehicle residing within 20km. from Toll plaza
4. The scheme of giving concessions may be viewed at http//nhaitis.org
5. The list of exempted vehicles is as given in the Fee Notification dated **05.05.2011 & 19.05.2015**
6. The vehicle which is loaded in excess of permissible load, shall pay 10 times the applicable fee rate and Remove the excess load to make use of highway.
7. As per concession Agreement dated Aug 16, 2010 the concession period ends on **June 3, 2037** The use fee (Toll) rates shall be reduced to 40% after the end of the concession period.
8. For viewing the fee notification dated **05.05.2011** published in the Gazette, letter of NHAI dated 25.03.2021 containing approval of revised rates and provisions in the concession agreement, the website http//nhaitis.org may be visited.
9. Name and address are as under, for any enquiry and /or giving complaints /suggestions:

	Concessionaire	IE	PIU of NHAI
Name of representative	M.K.G.Swamy	Sh.G,M.Mahendrappa	Sh.D.Srinivasulu Naidu
Address	IRB Tumkur Chitradurga Tollway Ltd. Chief General Manager, Guilalu Toll Plaza, Guilalu Village, Taluk Hiriyur- 577558	HME cum RE L.N.Malvia Infra Projects Pvt. Ltd. JCR Extension, 7th Cross (East), Adjacent to PVS Nursing Home, Ward No.22, Chitradurga - 577501.	Project Director. NHAI,PIU,– NH 4, Near JMIT Campus (Km 201) Chitradurga – 577 502.
Mobile Nos:	7760972494	9731106781	9894597777

Three venues picked for 2022 women's Asian Cup

AFC WOMEN'S ASIAN CUP

Navi Mumbai, Ahmedabad and Bhubaneswar were on Friday finalised as the three venues for the 2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup football tournament to be hosted by India. India is hosting the premier continental tournament from January 20 to February 6 next year.

ENGLAND HIT TOP GEAR

Bairstow and Roy light up Pune in a film that's become all too familiar as India lose second ODI by six wickets

VENKATA KRISHNA B @Chennai

IF one looks for protagonists in England's ODI revolution, you don't need to look beyond their openers Jason Roy and Jonny Bairstow. Part of a side that doesn't like its batsmen to hold back from playing shots irrespective of the match situation, England's middle-order couldn't have asked for better openers to give the platform that allows them to get their eye in without worrying about run-rate before switching to top-gear.

The West Indies of the 80s and the Australian team of the noughties, considered as one of the all-time great ODI sides, had a pair of openers who dictated the way the rest of the batting unit played.

Now, with England on the way to establishing themselves among the best-ever ODI sides, they are being shown the path by two openers who are pushing all the boundaries. In terms of runs, they are still way behind Sourav Ganguly and Sachin Tendulkar (nearly 4000 runs apart for those interested). But there hasn't been a more violent pair than the English duo. Roy and Bairstow's 110-run stand for the first wicket helped the visitors level the three-match ODI series.

There is an even more frightening number. Roy and Bairstow score 7.01 runs per over while batting together. Their aggressive approach at the top means, those coming in next have to seldom worry about picking up the run-rate or required rate.

For a change in Pune on Friday, they shelved their aggressive approach. They were relatively slow by their own standards in England's chase of

England's Jonny Bairstow (L) and Jason Roy stitched a 110-run stand during the second ODI against India, in Pune | AP

337. With Eoin Morgan missing and the middle-order failing to finish the job after they put on 130 in the first ODI, they chose to play safe, but even then they were effective as Roy scored 55 and Bairstow finishing with 124 and stitching together 110 runs in the opening 16.3 overs. On any other day, they would have walked away with all the accolades for killing the game early.

However, they were overshadowed by all-rounder Ben Stokes, who played a brutal innings that ended one short of a century (99 off 52b, 4x4, 10x6) to leave India demoralised. The left-hander took time to settle, but once he got the hang of the flat wicket, he found his range. Such was the brutality of Stokes' assault that he went from 50 to 99 in just 11 deliveries. Though the carnage did end, it was way too late for India.

A total of above 300 appeared beyond them when they lost their openers Shikhar Dhawan and Rohit Sharma inside nine overs. Virat Kohli and KL Rahul then steadied the ship with a 121-run stand for the third wicket before the Indian captain was dismissed for 66. Rishabh Pant and Rahul then upped the ante with a 113-run stand for the fourth wicket before the Pandya brothers, Hardik and Krunal, gave the finishing touches.

SCOREBOARD

INDIA: Rohit c Rashid b Sam 25, Dhawan c Stokes b Topley 4, Kohli c Buttler b Rashid 66, Rahul c Topley b Tom 108, Pant c Roy b Tom 77, Hardik c Roy b Topley 35, Krunal (not out) 12, Thakur (not out) 0. **Extras** (lb2, w7) 9. **Total** (50 overs, 6 wickets) **336**. **FoW:** 1-9, 2-37, 3-158, 4-271, 5-308, 6-334. **Bowling:** Sam 7-0-47-1, Topley 8-0-50-2, Tom 10-0-83-2, Stokes 5-0-42-0, Ali 10-0-47-0, Rashid 10-0-65-1.

ENGLAND: Roy (run out) Pant 55, Bairstow c Kohli b Krishna 124, Stokes c Pant b Kumar 99, Malan (not out) 16, Buttler b Krishna 0, Livingstone (not out) 27. **Extras** (b4, lb2, w8, nb2) **16**. **Total** (43.3 overs, 4 wickets) **337**. **FoW:** 1-110, 2-285, 3-287, 4-287. **Bowling:** Kumar 10-0-63-1, Krishna 10-0-58-2, Thakur 7.3-0-54-0, Kuldeep 10-0-84-0, Krunal 6-0-72-0.

Rajput & Sawant bank on experience for Oly

AYANTAN CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

THIS Tokyo Olympics is going to be different from previous iterations. Athletes will have to abide by various Covid-19 protocols which also includes reaching the Games Village only five days prior to the competition. In the case of shooting, there are chances that the test event might be limited to only Japanese athletes. Amidst these difficult circumstances, Indian rifle shooters Sanjeev Rajput and Tejaswini Sawant feel that experience could be key in dealing with these novel problems.

The pair clinched India's 11th gold in the 50m rifle 3 positions mixed team event of the ISSF World Cup here. Despite windy conditions, the pair managed to pip Ukraine's Serhiy Kulish and Anna Ilina 31-29 to top spot. "We had to adapt and this experience will help in the days to come," said Rajput.

And when the topic of Olympics was broached, both seemed quite at ease. Due to arrival and departure rules outlined by IOC, athletes might not get the chance to acclimatize to conditions there while most countries have not had a chance to shoot at the newly-refurbished Asaka Shooting Range.

"Both of us have shot in a variety of conditions. The wind and novelty factor might be a deterrent for quite a few, especially in our event. Young shooters can win a match or two but when so many elements are there, experience comes in handy," Sawant, the former world champ, remarked.

Competitions ahead of the Olympics are at a premium with no official word yet on the Korea and Baku World Cups. There is a question mark over the nationals as well. "Polishing will happen only in training. If the Baku World Cup happens, it will be very good. The more match situations we face, the better we get. It is important to perform under stress, something you only get from competitive action. And in that regard, the team and mixed team events have helped us get the chance to shoot more," both Rajput and Sawant echoed similar thoughts.

With NRAI yet to announce the Olympic teams, all quota winners seemed to be under pressure to prove their worth here. Rajput is no stranger to controversy. "I have been shooting for a long time. All I can do is focus on my job. There is no point in putting myself under unnecessary pressure by thinking about selection," Rajput said. Meanwhile, India missed out on their chance to win their 16th quota in the men's rapid fire pistol event.

Saina in last 4, Srikanth out

AGENCIES @ Paris

BADMINTON ace Saina Nehwal eked out a three-game win over USA's Iris Wang to advance to the women's singles semifinals of the Orleans Masters badminton tournament.

However, Kidambi Srikanth suffered a blow as he lost 19-21, 17-21 against Toma Junior Popov of France in the quarterfinals. That could probably mean end of Tokyo hopes for the Indian, who is yet to qualify for the Olympics and was looking to fetch maximum points here.

Meanwhile, it will be the first semifinals in two years for the Saina, who is desperate to accumulate ranking points to make it to her four Olympics at the Tokyo Games. Her last semifinal appearance was in January 2019.

F1 returns: Drive to survive

Lewis Hamilton begins his bid for an eighth drivers' world championship this week, as F1 season begins at Bahrain. Talking points ahead of the first race...

EYE ON JUNIOR SCHUMACHER

Mick Schumacher, son of the seven-time world champion Michael, is the youngster in the spotlight as he makes his F1 debut for Haas.

IN PURSUIT OF EIGHTH TITLE

Hamilton struggled in pre-season testing, which was dominated by Max Verstappen. After contracting Covid-19 and missing the Sakhir GP last year, the 36-year-old had returned to be beaten in the season-ending Abu Dhabi race by Verstappen. Hamilton is under serious

JAPAN'S BABY-FACED AGGRESSION

Yuki Tsunoda, the baby-faced rookie, clocked the second-fastest time ahead of Hamilton in pre-season testing, and he's aiming to make a name for himself when he suits up for AlphaTauri.

2021 driver line-ups

Mercedes: Lewis Hamilton (Britain), Valtteri Bottas (Finland).
Ferrari: Charles Leclerc (Monaco), Carlos Sainz (Spain).
Red Bull: Max Verstappen (Netherlands), Sergio Perez (Mexico).
McLaren: Lando Norris (Britain), Daniel Ricciardo (Australia).
Alpine: Fernando Alonso (Spain), Esteban Ocon (France).
Alpha Tauri: Yuki Tsunoda (Japan), Pierre Gasly (France).
Aston Martin: Sebastian Vettel (Germany), Lance Stroll (Canada).
Alfa Romeo: Kimi Raikkonen (Finland), Antonio Giovinazzi (Italy).
Haas: Mick Schumacher (Germany), Nikita Mazepin (Russia).
Williams: George Russell (Britain), Nicholas Latifi (Canada).

Para Athletics meet not Paralympics qualifier: PCI

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

ON the eve of the 19th Para Athletics Championship, the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) sent a press release, claiming the competition to be a qualifying event for Tokyo Paralympics. And on Friday, president Deepa Malik said that it is not an official qualification event.

"This is not an official Tokyo Paralympic final trial, because the quota allocation system is a different funnel. We will eventually get that — so many people qualified in IPC events...then there is a formula. If x number qualify, y number quota is allocated. There is a ratio of mostly 1:3. Final quota allocations seeds will come then NPC will decide," said Malik.

This event being a non-direct qualifier came as a disappointment for athletes, who travelled the length and breadth of the country to compete. More importantly, the pain they had to undergo with the championships shifting from Chennai to Bengaluru at the last minute is a different story altogether.

A few of the athletes, whom this newspaper reached out to, were surprised when informed that this event is not a qualifier. "It is a big disappointment if that is the case. We had to travel from different parts of the country during the pandemic. Most of us did go into the competition, thinking it will be a direct entry for Tokyo," said one of the athletes. Malik did claim that the nationals could have been a qualification event had there been an International Paralympic Committee observer here.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

EXPRESS READ

Vultures beat Jawahar, reach semis

BENGALURU: Vultures Cricket Club beat Jawahar Sports Club (1) by five wickets to reach the semifinals of the KSCA U16 inter club tournament at Kini Sports Arena. The latter were dismissed for 189 runs with Samarth N and Ansh Alma taking three wickets each in the first innings. Vultures reached the target in the 45th over as C R Kumarswamy (82) and Aarav Mahesh (62) scored half-centuries.

Now, Germany wear 'human rights' shirts

GENEVA: The German national team wore T-shirts to show support for human rights ahead of a World Cup qualifying game Thursday, hours after FIFA said Norway would not be disciplined for its attempt to draw attention to labor rights abuses in Qatar.

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Bangalore North Taluk,
Bangalore District
ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE
This in inform you that our Building Ornamental **Stone Querry Project SIA/KA/MIN/185444/2020** in extent under Survey NO. 17, Chikkagollahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural Dist. Karnataka has been accorded with Environment Clearance under file No. SIA/KA/MIN/185444/2020 dated 22/02/2021 a copy of the same is available with **State Pollution Control Board and at SEIAA's website : http//www.seiaa.kar.nic.in**

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IN THE COURT OF THE VII ADDITIONAL DISTRICT JUDGE BANGALORE RURAL AT BENGALURU
M.C. No.97/2020
BETWEEN:
Sri. Faithlin Paul, S/o Shri A. Christy Paul, Aged 37 years, R/at No.'B'- 321, Himagiri Residency, Near Wipro Gate 16, Electronic City, Phase-1, Doddathoguru, Bangalore South, Bengaluru, Electronic City, Karnataka-560100. ...**Petitioner**
AND:
Mrs. Janet.P, W/o Sri. Faithlin Paul, Aged about 30 years, C/o Mr. Selvaraj Rtd, Senior Accounts officer, 1st Floor Flat C/D/E, Indraprastha Apartments 17, Gurijya Gutta, 1st C Main, 5th A Cross, Near SRR Kalyana Mantapa, Banasawadi, East of NGEF Layout, Kasturi Nagar, Bangalore-560043.
...**Respondent**
Notice to Respondent Under Order V Rule 20 of Code of Civil Procedure
To: Mrs. Janet.P, W/o Sri. Faithlin Paul, Aged about 30 years, C/o Mr. Selvaraj Rtd, Senior Accounts officer, 1st Floor Flat C/D/E, Indraprastha Apartments 17, Gurijya Gutta, 1st C Main, 5th A Cross, Near SRR Kalyana Mantapa Banasawadi, East of NGEF Layout, Kasturi Nagar, Bangalore-560043.
Whereas the petitioner has filed the above case for decree of divorce.
You are hereby directed to appear before this Hon'ble Court personally or through an advocate duly authorized by you on your behalf to defend the above case **on 04.05.2021 at 11:00 AM** in forenoon to show cause against the application filing herein the said application will be heard and determined as ex-parte.
Given under my hand and seal of the Court on the 23rd day of March 2021. **By Order of the Court**
Sd/- **Chief Administrative Officer**
District & Session Court,
Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore
Address of the Advocates:
Shankar S Bhat and Maruthi Reddy G.A, *Advocates,* No.17/1, 2nd Floor, Kodigehalli Main Road, Sahakar Nagar, Bangalore-560092.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)
SME Peenya Branch,
No. 473, D(7), 13th Cross, 4th Phase,
Peenya Industrial Area,
Bengaluru – 560058.
Ph: 080-28360037/2661,

SALE NOTICE
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and/or Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical** possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **SME Peenya Branch of Canara Bank.,** will be sold on the basis of **"As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on 15.04.2021,** for recovery of **Rs 6,71,95,827.46/-** (Rupees Six Crore Seventy One Lacs Ninety Five Thousands Eight Hundred Twenty Seven and Paise Forty Six Only) **as on 25.03.2021** and interest & other charges there on from **01.03.2021** due to the SME Peenya Branch of Canara Bank from **M/s Indo Metal Lubricants,** No B-35/P-9, 2nd Cross, 3rd Stage, Peenya Industrial Estate, Nelakadaranahalli, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore – 560058 represented by its Proprietor **Mr. B Chandrahasa Shetty** Flat No 303, Haritha Apartments, 2nd Floor, 11th Cross, 5th Main, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003.
The Reserve price, Earnest Money Deposits, Auction date, last date of submission of Bid details are as under. The Earnest Money shall be deposited by way of DD favouring Authorised Officer, **Canara Bank, SME Peenya Branch, Bangalore** OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer – IFSC CODE **CNRB0002454**) to the credit of the account number **2454295000001, Canara Bank, SME Peenya Branch,** Bangalore on or before **12.04.2021**

Description of the immovable Assets	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Incremental value at Bid
Factory land situated at No.P-9, 2nd Cross, 3rd Stage, Peenya Industrial Area Nelakadaranahalli, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru 560058.Measurement of the plot: As per the allotment & possession letter – 314.50 Sq. mtr * As per the sale deed – 489.94 Sq. mtr *	**Rs 350.00 Lakhs**	**Rs 35.00 Lakhs**	**Rs 1.00 Lakhs**

*The extent of property is subject to ad-interim orders of injunction/status quo of the suit in O.S No 3749/2014 by the honourable court of City Civil, Bengaluru.
known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Assistant General Manager, **SME Peenya Branch,Canara Bank, Ph. No. 9987554449/9987790751/7975725335** during office hours on any working day.
Place: Bengaluru
Date : 26.03.2021
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Public at large are hereby notified that my client is intending to purchase the property which is morefully described in the Schedule herein below, from **Sri. M.P. NISAR AHMED,** S/o Sri. Mohamed Peer Sahib, aged about 88 Years, Residing at: A-31 Diamond District, Old Airport Road, Kodihalli, HAL 2nd Stage, Bangalore 560008. If any person/s or organizations/company/societies has/have any kind of right, title, interest, claim, objections to the proposed sale to be made by them, they may lodge their claim/objection within SEVEN days from the date of this Public Notice with supporting documents by RPAD failing which my client will take it for granted that there are no claims/objections/charges whatsoever from whomsoever. Any claims/objections received after the stipulated period of **SEVEN days** will be treated as no claim & the same will be ignored.
SCHEDULE
All that piece and parcel of immovable property Site No. 669, Turahalli Village, in society's layout (Vajramuni Nagara), formed at Gubbalalu and Turahalli, 1st Stage, formed in survey nos. 54/1, 55/4 and 55/5 of Gubbahalli Village, and Survey No. 13/1, 13/3, 16/1, 16/2, 16/3, 46/2, 49, 52/1, 52/2, 53/1B and 67 (P), of Turahalli Village, Uttaralli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk & bounded on East by: Site No. 670, West By: Site No. 668, North By: Site No. 664, South By: Road. Measuring East to West: 30 Feet, North to South : 40 Feet, in total: 1200 Square Feet,
Sd/- **A. DILEEP KUMAR,** ADVOCATE
No. 12, 1st floor, Parappana Agrahara Main Road, Electronic City Post, Bengaluru-560100.
Date: 26.03.2021

PUBLIC NOTICE
My client Vamsi Krishna Gullapalli, son of G. Hanumantha Rao, R/at No.102, Dwaraka Mai Residency, JCR Layout, Panathur, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore-560103, intends to purchase the below mentioned schedule property from its present owner Mrs. Ranjana Ganesh, D/o late Remaswamy Reddy and Wife of Mr. Ganesh, resident of Gunjur, Varthur, Bangalore East, Bangalore.
Any person/s are having any claim or charge over the below mentioned schedule property shall lodge their claim or objections if any together with documentary proof to the undersigned within "FIFTEEN DAYS" from the date of this notice, failing which it would be deemed that there is no claim, charge or encumbrance whatsoever on the below mentioned schedule property and further my client can proceed to purchase the below mentioned schedule property and any subsequent claim or objections shall be deemed to have been waived.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that part and parcel of two bedrooms apartments bearing flat No.11M, in 11th floor block "B" of the building known as "VAHE IMPERIAL GARDENS" constructed in BBMP Katha No.749-743/142/01, situated at Gunjur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore having a super built up area of 1100 square feet, with Vitrified tiles flooring and one covered car parking spece in the basement.
HAJARANBI A K @ SHABNAM A K,
Advocates
Almas Law Consultancy
#2995, 2nd Floor, Near Hombe Gowda College, M K K Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560021. Ph: 080-23422276
Mob: 9880029989/9035772040

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BANGALORE
No.4, 1st Floor, 'Jeevan Mangal' (LIC Building), Residency Road, Bengaluru-560 025.
NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION
(See Sec.25 and Sec.29 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 read with II Schedule to the Income Tax Act 1961)
TRC No. 209/2017 (DCP No.9943)
In O.A. No. 373/2014
Between: City Union Bank Ltd. Koramangala Brach... **CHB/APPLICANT**
AND: Ramaiah and another ... **CDS/ RESPONDENTS**
Certified Debtors: 1) Mr. Ramaiah, S/o Sri Hanumatharayappa, No. 23, Batchahalli Village, Tubagere Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore. **2) Mrs Akkayamma** W/o Sri Ramaiah, No. 23, Batchahalli Village, Tubagere Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore.
Whereas IN EXECUTION OF certificate No. TRC No. 209/2017 (DCP No. 9943) in O.A. No. 373/2014 drawn by the Presiding Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bengaluru the undersigned has ordered the sale of the under mentioned properties.
You are hereby informed that the 15th day from the date of service of this notice has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof. You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attaching to the said properties or any portion thereof.
SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY
SCHEDULE 'A'
Equitable Mortgage of All that piece and parcel of agricultural property measuring 2 acres situated at Sy. No.23 in Batchahalli Village, Tubagere Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District Bangalore and bounded on **East by:** Remaining land in Sy. No.23, **West by:** Krishnappa's Property, **North by:** Thimmaiah's Property, **South by:** Muniswamappa's Property.
SCHEDULE 'A1'
Equitable Mortgage of All that piece and parcel of agricultural property measuring 1 acres 2 ½ Guntas situated at Sy. No.23 in Batchahalli village, Tubagere Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District Bangalore and bounded on **East by:** Property of Venkataramanappa, **West by:** Property of Erappa, **North by:** Krishnappa and Ramakrishnappa's Property, **South by :** Eramma's Property.
SCHEDULE 'B'
Equitable Mortgage of All that piece and parcel of A residential land and building rural property bearing khaneshumari No. 160, situated at Batchahalli village, Tubagere Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District Bangalore measuring 50 feet X 55 Feet in total measuring 2750 Sq.Ft. and bounded on **East by:** Eranna's Property, **West by:** Ramachandrappa's Property, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Marianna's Property.
Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 23-02-2021.
By order of the Tribunal, Recovery Officer-II, Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Bangalore.

Government of Karnataka
TOWN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MUNDARGI
PH:08371-262232 Email:itstaff_ulb_mundargi@yahoo.in
No.: TMCM/S.F.C. Special/Short-Term e-Tender/2020-21
Date : 25.03.2021
Short term e-Tender Notice
Tender is invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 & 2000 in KW-3 Document for implementation of below mentioned works of DMA/2020-21/OW/WORK_INDENT114205, DMA/2020-21/OW/WORK_INDENT114206 in S.F.C. Special Grant for the year 2019-20 from eligible contractors registered in e-procurement and registered in Public Works Department. For e-procurement documents visit www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and Tender should be submitted only through online as per date mentioned below. Last date for submission of Tender: **03.04.2021** up to 4.00 PM. Date of opening Technical Bid: **05.04.2021** at 11.30 AM. Date of opening Financial Bid: **08.04.2021** at 4.00 PM.
Sd/- **(Sri Narayana K. Dombara)** **Chief Officer** **Town Municipal Council, Mundargi**
Sd/- **(Smt. Kavitha A. Ullagaddi)** **President** **Town Municipal Council, Mundargi**
DIPR/Gadag/601/MCA/2020-21

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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
"e" PROCUREMENT NOTICE
Bid Identification No 35 of 2020 – 21
O-1295: The Superintending Engineer RWS&S Division, Balangir on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites Percentage bid through e – Procurement in double cover system according to norm of e – Procurement system in online mode for the different work in different blocks under Balangir District.
01. Nature of Work : - Construction of ESR , OGR , pump house with laying of rising main and distribution in different villages of Balangir District.
02. Total No of work :- 07 Nos.
03. Estimated Cost :- Rs. 106.98 to 192.69 Lakh
04. Eligible Class of Contractor: - " B & A Class" Contractor.
05. Period of Completion :- Twelve month
06. Other Details

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender online for bidding	
		From	To
Executive Engineer, RWSS Division, Balangir	34 of 2020-21	Dt. 07.04.2021 At. 11.00 Hrs	Dt. 28.04.2021 upto. 17.00 Hrs

Further details can be had in the DTCN available in the website **www.tendersodisha.gov.in**
Sd/-23.03.2021
Superintending Engineer
RWS&S Division, Balangir **OIPR-25033/11/0014/2021**

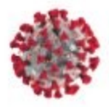
केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
भारत सरकार का उपक्रम A Government of India Undertaking
सिंडिकेट Syndicate
Cantonment Branch-11,
No.86, Spencer Towers,
M G Road, Bangalore-560001,
Phone No. 080-25588005.
E-mail ID : cb0404advcorp@canarabank.com

E-AUCTION NOTICE
SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH E-AUCTION (ONLINE AUCTION) UNDER RULES 8(6) & (9) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002
Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold by inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions. E auction arranged by the service provider **M/s. Antares Systems Ltd.** through the website **https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com**

Sl. No.	1)Name of the Borrower / Guarantor(s) 2)Name of the Branch and Secured Creditor	1) Secured Debt outstanding 2) Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Amount	1) Last date of deposit of EMD & KYC documents 2) EMD A/c no. 3) IFSC code 4) Bid Factor	1. Date of Auction 2. Time of Auction 3. Date & Time of Inspection
1)	**1. M/s. Khoday Silk Streams. Prop: Smt Padma Bai New No 25, Old No.29, 3rd Floor, N S Iyengar Street, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore – 560020. 2. Smt. Padma Bai 3. Mr. Suresh S Khoday both are at : No 23, 2nd Main, 5th block, Sheshadripuram, Kumar Park west, Bangalore - 560020 4. Mr.Eshwara K N No.24, New No 24/5, PID No.92-15-24/5, IV Floor, Jayamahal Road, Jayamahal Extension, BBMP Ward No 92, Bangalore - 560046.**	1) Rs.6,09,63,630.55 plus further interest & charges 2) **Rs.3,23,00,000/-** EMD : **Rs.32,30,000/-**	1) 26.4.2021 up to 5.00 pm 2) 0404295000001 3) CNRB0000404 4) Rs.1,00,000/-	1. 28.4.2021 2. 11.00 am to 12.00 noon 3. 21.4.2021 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm

Details of Security Assets : Fourth Floor, Residential Property No.24/5, 5th Main, Jayamahal Main Road, Jayamahal Extn, Bangalore - 560046 measuring 2400 Sq.ft. bounded by: **East by** : Property No.24/1, **West by** :Jayamahal Main Road, **North by** : 5th Main Road, **South by** : Govt Quarters.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please logon to our website **www.canarabank.com** under "E-Auction" or contact the branch.
Place : Bangalore
Date : 26.3.2021
Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

Vials of Pfizer/BioNTech's coronavirus vaccine can be kept at normal freezer temperatures for short periods instead of in ultra-cold storage, the EU's drugs regulator said Friday. The change would help the "rapid roll-out" of vaccines across Europe, reeling under a shortage



The US made a similar decision about the Pfizer vaccine on February 25. The Pfizer vaccine's high effectiveness against coronavirus has been tempered by the difficulty of storing and transporting the jab due to the need for super-cold conditions

EXFILE • CULTURE

FRENCH SLICE OF HERITAGE

France has chosen the baguette as its candidate for UNESCO intangible cultural heritage status, seeking recognition for that most quintessential of French symbols. Here's why

WHAT IS A BAGUETTE

It is a long, thin loaf of French bread commonly made from basic lean dough (the dough, though not the shape, is defined by French law) The word baguette simply means "wand", "baton" or "stick", as in baguette magique (magic wand), baguettes chinoises (chopsticks), or baguette de direction (conductor's baton)

CONSUMPTION STATS

10 BILLION

Baguettes consumed every year in France. This means the French consume...

320

Baguettes every second

At the height of the lockdown, France made sure to keep bakeries open as essential business

WHAT'S INTANGIBLE HERITAGE

An intangible cultural heritage is a practice, knowledge, or skill considered by UNESCO to be part of a place's cultural heritage. It consists of nonphysical intellectual wealth, such as folklore, customs, beliefs, traditions, knowledge, and language. The Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage was drafted in 2003

This year's (2020) list included sauna culture in Finland, a lantern festival in South Korea and a grass-mowing competition in Bosnia and Herzegovina

THEN & NOW

1970

55,000

artisanal bakeries produced the loaf Translating into... 1 bakery for every 790 residents

2021

35,000

Artisanal bakeries Translating into 1 bakery for every 2,000

The decline of artisanal bakeries is attributed to industrial units taking over the manufacturing

HISTORY OF A LOAF

Despite being a seemingly immortal fixture in French life, baguette officially got its name only in 1920 when a new law specified its minimum weight (80 grams) and maximum length (40 cm)

Some say long loaves were common in the 18th century; others that it took the introduction of steam ovens by Austrian baker August Zang in the 1830s for its modern incarnation. One popular tale is that Napoleon ordered bread to be made in thin sticks that could be more easily carried by soldiers

Another links baguettes to the construction of the Paris metro in the late 19th century, and the idea that baguettes were easier to tear up and share, avoiding arguments between the workers and the need for knives

NOTABLE INTANGIBLES IN INDIA

Traditional brass and copper craft of utensil making among the **Thatheras** of Jandiala Guru, Punjab (2014); **Sankirtana**, ritual singing, drumming and dancing of Manipur (2013); **Buddhist chanting** of Ladakh: recitation of sacred texts in the trans-Himalayan Ladakh region, Jammu and Kashmir (2012)

HUMANS PUSH 25 PC MARINE LIFE TO BRINK OF EXTINCTION

Dolphins, seals among species staring at a bleak future owing to unmindful exploitation

RESEARCH

A new study reveals many of the world's marine mammals are at a crossroads – some are on the verge of extinction, while others are on the road to recovery. A team from the University of Exeter investigated the status of 126 species that includes whales, dolphins, seals, sea lions, manatees, dugongs, sea otters and polar bears, and found at least 25% are classified as threatened.

The analysis determined the near-extinct vaquita porpoise and the critically endangered North Atlantic right whale are among those in greatest danger. The published paper also notes that 98% of all marine mammal species are at some level of risk in 56% of the ocean.

Following this detailed review, researchers determined the shocking declines are a result of climate change, fisheries, pollution and other forms of human activity.

A file photo of a mama whale with its young one

The international research team led by the University of Exeter highlights conservation measures and research techniques that could protect marine mammals into the future.

Dr Sarah Nelms, of the Center for Ecology and Conservation on Exeter's Penryn Campus in Cornwall, said: "We have reached a critical point in terms of marine mammal conservation. Very few marine mammal species have been driven to extinction in modern times, but human activities are putting many of them under increasing pressure. Our paper examines a range of conservation measures - including Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), bycatch reduction methods and community engagement - as well as highlighting some of the species that are in urgent need of focus."

Although the study identified 25% species heading towards extinction, it also notes that 98% of marine mammal species are at some level of risk in 56% of the ocean, mainly in coastal waters. The paper, published in the journals *Endangered Species Research*, details what is causing these animals to disappear.

Climate change, for example, is a threat to marine mammal species that depend on specific habitats to survive, such as polar bears and walruses that rely on sea ice. The Arctic, which is home to those animals, is warming about twice as fast as the global average, causing ice that they depend on to melt away. And a separate study released in 2020 warns polar bears could be wiped out as early as this year due to their diminishing habitats.

Researchers: Don't bank on the green cover to guzzle CO_2

CLIMATE

The world is counting too heavily on soil and plants to soak up planet-ravaging carbon pollution, researchers cautioned on Wednesday. Climate projections mistakenly assume that land and what grows on it draw down with parallel efficiency the CO2 humanity loads into the atmosphere, they reported in the journal Nature. In reality, there's a trade off.

"Either soil or plants, but not both, will absorb more CO2 as carbon levels rise," lead author Cesar Terrer, a researcher at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California, told AFP. It is tempting, he said, to hang hopes on supercharged plant growth and massive tree-planting campaigns to reduce CO2 produced by burning fossil fuels, agriculture and destroying forests. But researchers said that when elevated carbon dioxide levels boost forest and grassland growth, the accumulation of CO2 in soil slows down.

So far, Earth's terrestrial ecosystems have kept pace with rapidly increasing CO2 emissions, consistently absorbing some 30% even as those emissions have more than doubled over the last 50 years. Oceans have also siphoned off a steady 20% of CO2 pollution during the same period.

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DAY'S DIARY

Movie premiere

On this day in 1952, MGM hosted the premiere of *Singin' in the Rain* at Radio City Music Hall in New York. The film stars Gene Kelly and Debbie Reynolds

GREATEST HOLLYWOOD MUSICAL

It was a reunion project for the *American in Paris* team of Stanley Donen and Gene Kelly. *Singin' in the Rain* emerged as a classic, considered by many to be the greatest Hollywood musical ever made

NEW GROUND

Singin' in the Rain was the first film to be screened in Communist China. It was nominated for two Oscar awards — Best Supporting Actress and Best Score

DID YOU KNOW?

The title number, *Singin' in the Rain*, took two and a half days to shoot and used so much fake rain that it caused a mini-drought in Culver City, California

Bhavya Gowda to star in Dear Kanmani

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Illustration: EXPRESS

CRUNCHING THE NUMBERS

Before they dabble in mutual funds, stocks, shares and e-gold plans, an increasing number of women are opting to take classes and workshops to sharpen their finance funda

SANATH PRASAD

WHO said finance is a man's domain? As yet another financial year begins, experts find an increasing number of women keenly following the fluctuations of the stock market, the changing gold prices, and the goings-on that could affect their investments. This is in contrast to previous times when they turned to their spouses or fund managers to keep track of assets.

Nisary Mahesh, founder of HerMoneyTalks, a Bengaluru-based finance platform for women, says, "We have conducted 50 webinars for working women and students this year, and the participants are growing in number, with about 300 people attending each session. Our assessment also says that the approach towards financial management is changing and women are more keen than ever to learn about investment plans."

Nandita Jaiswal, vice- president, financial planning advisory at Scripbox private wealth, an advisory firm, finds a 40 per cent increase since the pandemic in the participation of women attending finance-related workshops. "Although many women are not making independent decisions, they are actively building their mutual fund portfolios. There are many aspirational women who want to travel, buy a car, or a home which is why they are learning the brass-tacks of investment," says Jaiswal who also suggests that women should invest in e-gold plans rather than physical jewellery directly.

Preetha Wali, co-founder of Pay It Forward, a social entrepreneurial venture , wants to wipe away the stereotype of women not being able to make financial and investment decisions. "The pandemic has become a realisation period for women. Many, especially single parents and young working professionals, have realised the significance of investments during these times because of health crises that has left them worried and wanting to take charge of their own and family's finances," she says.

Some like Priya Sunder, co-founder of PeakAlpha Investment Services, an investment advisory company, conduct workshops for women and their spouses. "This is because most women we come across are dependent on their spouses, financially. But it is getting better over the years. We engage with them on issues like insurance plans, mutual funds, investment and independent financial planning so that they can expect high returns in their future."

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— Preetha Wali, co-founder, Pay It Forward

After I started earning, I did not have a clear road map to invest my savings. But workshops on financial literacy were an eye-opener. I got a clear idea about how much of my earnings I should allot for investment, savings, and my personal expenses. Now, I am even planning to invest in the National Pension Scheme
— Sumita Deb, HR manager

Natasha Celmi, a city-based chef, cookbook author and food blogger, dishes out fun food related trivia in this weekly series. So, answer these three questions and find out how much of a foodie you are.

GRUB HUB

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Food quiz'**

The correct answers and names of the first three respondents with right answers will be featured in CE on Monday. The first prize winner will also receive two 'Ninja Meal' vouchers for a five-course lunch, worth ₹888 (approx) each at Misu, Prestige Trade Towers**

QUESTIONS

1. Chaat is a popular street food all around India, with each city boasting its unique creations. In Bengaluru, this chaat dish was created here, and soon, it became a rage. It is made of crispy puffs, stuffed with peas, peanuts and boondi, and has lots of water. Name the dish.
2. Chicken 65 is a popular dish in pub menus around the city. It pairs perfectly with a chilled mug of beer. The dish is a delectable combination of fried chicken, spices, curry leaves and lots of red chillies. Where does the dish get its unique name from?
3. Nasi Goreng is a popular dish from Indonesia and Malaysia. There are other similar named dishes in the cuisine, like Nasi Lemak. What does the word 'nasi' refer to?

**Conditions apply

For more food-related stories and recipes, turn to page 3.

Singer-rapper Alok R Babu's latest track, *No Fear*, gives people a push against universal emotions like doubt and insecurity

The fear factor

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EVERYONE knows the feeling of inhibition when taking the first step towards a goal. And Alok R Babu, aka All Ok's newly-released track, *No Fear*, focuses on the same. The song, which talks about not letting fears or insecurity come in the way of your dreams, has reached more than 1.6 lakh views in one day. Babu says the song is based on and is also dedicated to everyone since fear is universal. "Everyone, including me, has gone through the emotion when we have tried something new. The song emphasises on this commonality," says Babu, clarifying that it still is a positive song. "The message we are trying to convey is that even if we have a fear of failing, people should not hesitate to make an attempt, without thinking of the results," he adds.

The video of the song features model Keerthi Rupangudi and a cameo by specially-abled dancer Alok Jain. The song has different elements like melodical vocals, EDM and rap. "I didn't want the song to stick to a particular genre. So you can call it a fusion," says Babu, adding that he wanted the song to be more of an entertainer than any other genre. "You might notice all my songs are different but the common factor is that it spreads happiness. For instance, my songs *Happy* and *Don't Worry* are played in various rehabilitation centres to practise positive thinking," says the 31-year-old.

Babu is no stranger to internet fame, considering that his songs get lakhs of views overnight. Sharing his secret, he says, "Maybe my music is relatable to the masses. And not sticking to a fixed genre also builds up curiosity about what the next song will be."

Cover art of *No Fear*

STARRY AFFAIR

Alok R Babu's previous track, *Happy*, features 11 comedians from Sandalwood. *Good Morning* featured Sri Sri Ravi Shankar and Sadguru. *Don't Worry* features 10 Sandalwood actors, like Sanvi Srivatsav and Sri Murali.

CITY READ

Seminar on Indian knowledge systems inaugurated

Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences organized a national seminar on "Need for Study and Research on Indian Knowledge System for its Contemporary Relevance" on March 19. It was held in association with Institution Innovation Council of Ministry of Education. Prof. Anil Sahasrabudhe, chaimran, AICTE was the chief guest and delivered the inaugural address.

Online veterinary consultations launched

Practo, an integrated healthcare company, has launched a veterinary telemedicine service on its platform. Teaming with licensed veterinarians across the country, the company will be offering 24x7 online consultation services for pets. Through this, pet owners can talk to veterinarians regarding concerns that do not require a physical examination or warrant an emergency visit to the clinic.

Healing touch

Delving into themes like pain, guilt and loss, is author Srividya Srinivasan, who is holding a dramatised reading of her new book

EXPRESS FEATURES

IT took an incident in France to set author **Srividya Srinivasan** thinking about the human angle behind terrorism. The incident involved a policeman stopping a lady on a scooter for wearing a burqa. "While people often die in an instant, they do carry the story of their lives from time of birth to that point of death. It is destiny that draws people to a place to meet their end together. Even the terrorist is just an actor in the drama," says Srinivasan, who will be holding a dramatised reading of her book on Saturday.

The Hand of Destiny (published by Leadstart Publishers) is the story of two women, whom fate brings together, to find answers to profound life questions and their roles as mothers. The story focuses on pain, guilt, loss, tragedy, and healing through a rare friendship that transcends all boundaries. Midway into her writing, the horror in France happened in 2015, blurring the lines between fact and fiction. "Every tragedy has a story behind it, as has every victim and abuser. My story focuses on vulnerability and through it, the grace of healing and inner strength," she says.

This subject, Srinivasan feels, needs to be written in a certain balance. Too much negativity can get depressing, but neither can you trivialise death. "One is meant to write with integrity only when one is in that state of balance. There were waiting periods where I felt the need to not rush," says Srinivasan, who has now started her sixth novel, *The Dance of Kotravai*, set in the Sangam period which has nearly 50-75 characters.

The event will be held on March 27, 7pm, at Alliance Francaise, Thimmiah Road.

WATCH LIST

SILENCE... CAN YOU HEAR IT? (HINDI)

Streaming on: Zee 5

If you are disappointed with *Family Man* season 2 not making it to your screens, here is a chance to witness Manoj Bajpayee in a new series on Zee 5. The show is called *Silence... Can You Hear It?* If you have missed Srikant Tiwari, here is ACP Avinash Verma (played by Bajpai) appearing yet again as a cop for this thriller series. He investigates the mysterious disappearance of a woman in debutante director Aban Bharucha Deohans's murder mystery. Will Verma be able to crack the case? Watch and find out.

Cast: Manoj Bajpayee, Barkha Singh, Prachi Desai

SKY ROJO (SPANISH)

Streaming on: Netflix

Sky Rojo is a Spanish thriller series filled with glamour, glitz and glory. The story is based on three sex workers and the troubles they run into. It enthrals you with enough action-packed moments without wasting too much time on the usual humdrum of emotional and slow-paced storytelling. Each episode has a run-time of over 25 minutes and the story hops from one situation to another, keeping you hooked to the characters, and leaving you with enough twists and turns to keep coming back for more.

Cast: Lali Espósito, Yanis Prado, Miguel Ángel Silvestre

PICASSO (MARATHI)

Streaming on: Amazon Prime Video

If you enjoy classical art forms, Picasso is your best bet for the weekend. Set in the background of a small village in the South Konkan region of Maharashtra, the story takes you on a journey of Pandurang, an artist struggling to make ends meet by performing in a play, Dashavatar. His son, Gandharva, gets an opportunity to go to Spain to attend classes at the Picasso museum. The director gives you a glimpse into the world of an artist and his passion for art, while also showing how he struggles with his alcohol addiction. Set in the rural milieu, the filmmaker focuses on how Pandurang and Gandharva perceive each other. Watch out for the later half that will surely keep you hooked.

Cast: Prasad Oak, Shiladitya Bora, Samay Sanjeev Tambe

PAGGLAIT (HINDI)

Streaming on: Netflix

Looking for a family drama? Here is a story that shows you an Indian family with a desire for power and money. A recently-widowed woman Sandhya Giri finds it difficult to grieve her husband and once she begins to understand her problem, she builds her own path of independence. Although the narrative has elements of comedy, some characters undergo emotional turmoil which makes the story tilt towards a serious drama.

Cast: Sanya Malhotra, Sayani Gupta, Ashutosh Rana

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

MUSICAL GIG

Get grooving to the musical beats of hip hop and bass from Puducherry guitarist Micah Bedford, multi-instrumentalist Rishii Rohra aka Peach Blok and DJ/visual artiste Febby Momma. Also get to experience curated disco and pop music from 70s to 2000s and beyond.
Where: Indiranagar SOCIAL
When: Mar 27, 8pm

Tap your feet

Get ready to tap your feet at Saturday Storiez featuring DJ Ivan. Also experience his musical presentation with images, mystic factors and other diverse quality of sounds. **When:** Mar 27, 8pm, **Where:** 1522 The Pub, JP Nagar, **Details:** 6364001522

Pupper PARTY

Pet Fed is bringing a Pupper Party at URU Brewpark. The idea behind this is to bring together pet parents over breakfast. The event will also have games for humans and dogs. **When:** April 4, 8-11.30 am
Where: URU Brewpark, Bannerghatta Road

LITERARY EVENT

Ranga Shankara will hold a literary event focussed on playwright and director Abhishek Majumdar. The event will celebrate the launch of his three English plays - *The Djinns of Eidgah, Harlesden High Street,* and *Pah-La*.
When: March 28, 11am
Where: Ranga Shankara , JP Nagar

GRAB A HOLI BRUNCH WITH A VARIETY OF CHAAT OPTIONS AND CURATED MEALS FOR TWO. **WHEN:** MAR 28, **WHERE:** CUBBON PAVILION, ITC GARDENIA

Japanese special

Head to this restaurant to enjoy dishes from the Land of the Rising Sun. The menu includes Don Buri and Robatayaki specials, along with sake cocktails.
When: Till March 28 **Where:** Mikusu, Conrad Bengaluru

Pop of colour

Celebrate the festival of colours with an array of dumplings, assembled using all-natural vegetable puree. The menu includes Charcoal Prawn Dumplings made using squid ink, Mandarin River Sole dumplings, Wild Mushroom Purple Dumplings and more.
When: March 24 - 31, **Where:** Sriracha, UB City and Indiranagar

Holi thali

With Holi round the corner, Khandani Rajdhani presents Rangeelo Rajasthan festival from March 26 to March 29. There will be seasonal Holi dishes served on a rotational basis, with the thali. Thandai and Guiyas will be served as a part of the curated Holi menu. **For details, call:** 66650317

Play time

Theatre group Sidewing will be performing a play *'Ee Preemalokada Geetheyu* , written and directed by Bharath Sa Jagannatha. The story is set in the early 2000 in a cassette store that unveils three unconventional love stories in a conventional yet comedic manner. **When:** Mar 27, 7pm **Where:** Sevasadana Malleswaram
Details: 98450 67901

Young talent music fest

The Bharatiya Samagana Sabha is organising Namasthubhyam, a 'young talent music festival'. It is dedicated to young musicians and the performers include Uthara Unnikrishnan, Spoorthi Rao, Rahul Vellal and Nandini Gaikwad. When: March 27 and 28, **Where:** Chowdiah Memorial Hall
Tickets: BookMyShow.

Biryani time

Ssaffron is bringing together 'Flavours of Royalty', a special biryani menu from across the country. It will offer Ambur Mutton Biryani, Bhavnagri Chilli Bharvan Biryani, Mughlai Murgh Biryani and more. **When:** Till March 28
Where: Shangri-La Hotel, Bengaluru, Palace Road

Live music

Get ready to watch Paula and The Associates perform a mix of pop, jazz, neo-soul, RnB and Lo-fi.
When: March 27, 7.30 pm onwards
Where: Sound Bites Cafe at IME, Indian Music Experience Museum, JP Nagar

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

NUTRIGREEN SOUP

INGREDIENTS

- **Spinach:** 1 bunch
- **Oats:** 2 tbsp
- Salt and black pepper

METHOD

- Wash and shred the spinach.
- Dry-roast the oats in a thick pan over medium heat, till it's lightly browned and a nutty aroma arises.
- Pressure-cook spinach and oats with one cup of water for 2 whistles.
- Let it cool; process it in blender till smooth.
- Adjust consistency as desired with water and add salt to taste.
- Heat through and serve hot, sprinkled with freshly-ground pepper.

— Laxmi Vijaya, Bengaluru

SOUND BOARD

DEATH, SEX & MONEY

This podcast addresses the big questions and hard choices that are often left out of polite conversation. Host Anna Sale talks to people about relationships, money, family, work and making it all count while we're here.
- On Apple Podcasts

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Iconic CEOs — from Nike to Netflix, Starbucks to Slack — share the stories & strategies that helped them grow from start-ups into global brands.
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THIS MOVIE CHANGED ME

In each episode, host and lifelong movie fanatic Lily Percy guides guests to explore and celebrate the transformative role movies play in their lives.
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BECOMING WISE

This podcast offers depth and discovery in the time it takes to make a cup of tea. Each episode is curated from hundreds of big conversations with wise and graceful lives.
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THE YES THEORY PODCAST

Yes Theory co-founders Matt, Ammar, and Thomas are turning off the cameras and turning on the mics to reflect upon how discomfort actually might hold the keys to meaning and happiness.
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POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

KHUSHI KHUSHIYAGI

Raj, who belongs to an affluent family, meets Priya at an event and is spellbound by her beauty. He loses her number, which leads to a string of confusions.
- Cast: Ganesh, Amulya, Nandini Rai

MR AIRAVATA

Airavata, a farmer who was wronged by a few corrupt police officers, decides to take matters into his own hands and joins the police force through wrong means.
- Cast: Darshan, Urvashi Rautela, Prakash Raj

JAANU

Siddarth helps Rukmini reach home when she runs out of money on a trip. Rukmini's family attack Siddarth, but welcome him after learning the truth. Both fall in love, but a surprise awaits them.
- Cast: Yash, Deepa Sannidhi, Rangayana Raghu

JODI

Kannan falls in love with Gayathri but both decide to win the hearts of each other's family members and marry with their consent.
- Cast: Prashanth, Simran, Nassar, Trisha

Scan this QR code to find out how your favourite celebs are coping with the lockdown.

WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

1 TWO POEMS ABOUT WHAT DOGS THINK (PROBABLY) BY BILLY COLLINS

What must our dogs be thinking when they look at us? A two-term US Poet Laureate Billy Collins imagines the inner lives of two very different companions. It's a charming short talk, perfect for taking a break and dreaming.

2 A NEW WAY TO HEAL HEARTS WITHOUT SURGERY BY FRANZ FREUDENTHAL

At the intersection of medical invention and indigenous culture, pediatric cardiologist Franz Freudenthal mends holes in the hearts of children across the world, using a device born from traditional Bolivian loom weaving.

3 THE FUTURE OF STORYTELLING BY SHONDA RHIMES AND CYNDI STIVERS

TV titan Shonda Rhimes discusses the future of media networks, how she's using her narrative-building skills as a force for good, an intriguing concept known as "Amish summers" and much more, in conversation with Cyndi Stivers, director of the TED Residency.

4 WHAT AI IS — AND ISN'T BY SEBASTIAN THRUN AND CHRIS ANDERSON

Educator and entrepreneur Sebastian Thrun wants us to use AI to free humanity of repetitive work and unleash our creativity. He discusses the progress of deep learning, why we shouldn't fear runaway AI and how society will be better off if dull work is done with the help of machines.

5 HOW AI CAN SAVE OUR HUMANITY BY KAI-FU LEE

AI is massively transforming our world, but there's one thing it cannot do: love. In a visionary talk, computer scientist Kai-Fu Lee details how the US and China are driving a deep learning revolution — and shares a blueprint for how humans can thrive in the age of AI by harnessing compassion and creativity.

FIT BIT

URDHVA HASTASNA

(UPWARD SALUTE)

In Sanskrit, 'Urdhva' means upward, 'hasta' means hands and 'asana' means pose. It is a standing asana and a key posture in Surya Namaskara (Sun Salutation) sequences. It is also called 'Raised Hands Pose'. It is a naturally uplifting pose doing it first in the morning or after long periods of sitting to boost the body's energy. It can be therapeutic for those suffering from fatigue or anxiety. Traditionally, being a Sun Salutation sequence, it is performed outside, facing east as the sun rises. Spiritually, it stimulates the Vishuddha (throat) Chakra, which is associated with self-expression and communication. It can also be used to tune into the way that Kundalini energy rises from the navel centre and through the back of the body.

STEPS

- Stand in Tadasana with your feet together and your arms at your sides.
- Align your toes and balance your weight on the feet with weight being equally distributed.
- Stimulate your thigh muscles and move your knee caps. Push your pelvis in.
- While inhaling, roll your shoulders up to your ear, and while exhaling, roll your shoulders down to your back.
- Put your hands beside the torso and your hands knit together with your fingers towards the floor.
- Bring your head over your pelvis. This will feel as if the crown of your head is being pulled by the string towards the ceiling.
- Look in front while your chin lies parallel to the floor.
- Again inhale and lift your arms above your head, fingers towards the ceiling and palms facing each other. Exhale.
- Inhale and roll your shoulders up to your ear, and while exhaling, roll your shoulders down to your back.
- Release all the stress and tension from the face and look at a point in front of you.
- Finally, bring your arms down to your side gently and come back to Tadasana.
- Repeat for five to ten breaths.

BENEFITS

- Strengthens the legs and gives an excellent stretch to the whole body.
- Improves the posture of the body and keeps the spine straight.
- Stimulates the digestive system and eases bowel movement.
- Tones and massages the liver, kidneys, and pancreas.
- Helps in providing relief from back pain.
- Improves blood circulation, leading to healthier skin, improved energy and confidence, and muscle growth.
- Provides relief from stress and anxiety.
- Rejuvenates the mind and body and calms the senses.
- Connects you with the divine and instills a sense of spirituality.

LIMITATIONS

- People suffering from migraine, headache, insomnia, or high blood pressure should avoid this.

— by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

ACT 1978 (Kannada)

A pregnant woman chooses her own way to condemn the injustices caused by the bureaucratic system. She enters a government office as a human bomb to demand her share of justice.
- Watch on: Amazon Prime
Cast: Yagna Shetty, Pramod Shetty, Achyuth Kumar

KINAVALLI (Malayalam)

Ann's surprise for her husband on their wedding anniversary gets ruined when they and their friends encounter a paranormal presence.
Cast: Surabhi Santosh, Ajmal Zayn, Vijay Johnny, Hareesh Kanaran
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

SEETHARAMA KALYANA (Kannada)

Arya, a righteous man, falls in love with a small-town woman named Geetha, unaware of the obstacles that lie ahead for both of them.
Cast: Nikhil Gowda, Rachita Ram, Madhoo
- Watch on: Zee 5

GAALI SAMPATH (Telugu)

Gaali Sampath loses his voice in an accident and unknowingly plays spoilsport in his son's love story. When his son yells at him for sabotaging his plans, a disappointed Sampath leaving home slips into a well left uncovered. How he survives in the well is the crux of the story.
Cast: Rajendra Prasad, Sri Vishnu, Lovely Singh, Satya
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All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

NINNILA NINNILA (Telugu)

In London, Dev, an overweight, genius chef who suffers with muscle spasms, meets Tara and love blossoms, but things take an interesting turn when he crosses paths with Maya.
Cast: Ashok Selvan, Nithya Menen, Ritu Varma, Nassar, Dave Wong
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THE WIFE (Hindi)

A young married couple moves into a new house only to find themselves surrounded by haunted spirits.
Cast: Gurmeet Choudhary, Sayani Datta
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NEWTON (Hindi)

A government servant is sent to a politically sensitive area in Central India for election duty. He attempts to hold a fair and free election despite various obstacles.
Cast: Rajkummar Rao, Anjali Patil, Pankaj Tripathi, Raghubir Yadav
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FOREIGN

EYES WIDE SHUT (English)

After Dr. Bill Hartford's wife, Alice admits to having sexual fantasies about a man she met, Bill becomes obsessed with having a sexual encounter. He discovers an underground sexual group and attends one of their meetings — and quickly discovers that he is in over his head.
Cast: Tom Cruise, Nicole Kidman, Sydney Pollack, Todd Field
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

SOUND OF METAL (English)

A heavy-metal drummer's life is thrown into freefall when he begins to lose his hearing.
Cast: Riz Ahmed, Olivia Cooke, Paul Raci, Lauren Ridolf
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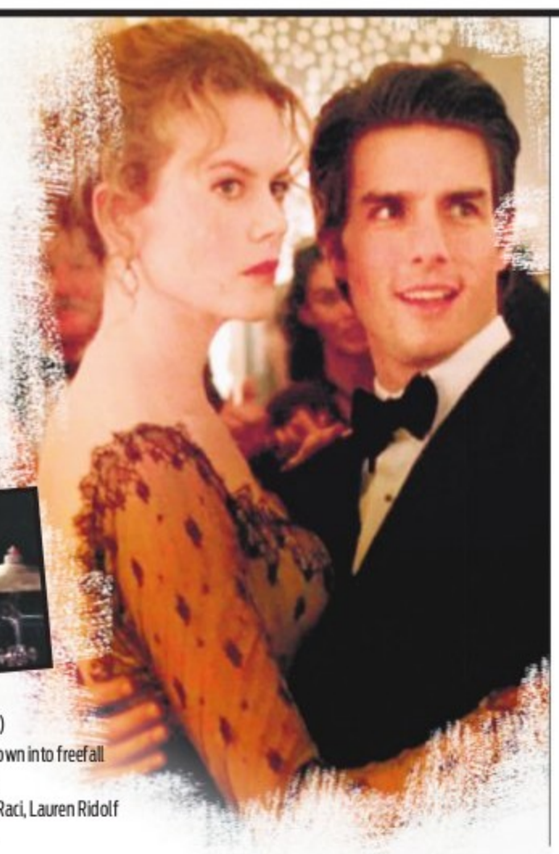

WILD TALES (Spanish)

A waitress adds a special ingredient to an arrogant loan shark's meal in one of several tales dealing with extremes of human behaviour.
Cast: Ricardo Darin, Leonardo Sbaraglia, Julieta Zylberberg, Rita Cortese
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

ONE NIGHT IN MIAMI (English)

On the night of Feb. 25, 1964, in Miami, Cassius Clay joins Jim Brown, Sam Cooke and Malcom X, and they discuss the responsibility of being successful black men during the civil rights movement.
Cast: Leslie Odom Jr, Kingsley Ben-Adir, Aldis Hodge, Eli Goree
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EVENTS

Choco treat

Indulge in an eggless homemade Chocolate Pudding Parfait, made fresh daily at Magnolia Bakery. The pudding is layered with pieces of fresh chocolate cake, whipped cream and chocolate shavings.

When: Ongoing

Where: Magnolia Bakery at Phoenix Marketcity

Easter brunch

Bring in Easter with a brunch, a live band setting and an array of dishes like antipasti, cheeses of the world, fresh salads, watermelon gazpacho and pineapple, seafood station, pizza and more.

When: April 4, 12.30pm onwards

Where: CUR8, Four Seasons Hotel Bengaluru

Holi feast

The festive offerings at this cafe include some varieties of Khichdi, and desserts like Gujiya, Chenna Gujiya, Coconut Gujiya and more. It is available only for dine-in.

When: Till March 31

Where: Justbe Resto Café, Sadashiva Nagar

Mediterranean delight

Foodhall's new Mediterranean Cafe Menu features Za'atar Avo Toast, Herb Mushroom Talleggio Toast, Marrakesh Couscous Bowl, and more. These new dishes can be paired with Frozen Hot Chocolate and Passionfruit and Thyme Lemonade.

When: Ongoing

Where: Foodhall@1 MG, MG Road

Pic: Ashishkrishna HP

1522 on Residency Road has graffiti of rock legends like Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix, Bob Dylan and Bob Marley

SERVED WITH A DASH OF COLOUR

Rock legends, caricatures of people or the eatery's specialities... City cafes and restaurants are bringing out their creative side through fun and quirky graffiti decor

MONIKA MONALISA

It's difficult to miss the graffiti on the wall of Ohana in Indiranagar. And when you see the painting of a man holding luchi and mutton cutlet, you already know what the restaurant's specialties are. But it's not just Ohana that's adding this fun and quirky vibe to its interiors. Other city restaurants and cafes are also coming up with graffiti decor, that includes caricatures inspired from people on the street, rock legends and specialties of the restaurant.

Susmita Das, 28, who runs Ohana with her family shares that the man on the wall is her father. "Our graffiti is a clear giveaway of the specialties of our restaurants. It doesn't just lift the mood of the place but also turns into a conversation starter," says Das, who runs the four-month old restaurant. Speaking about the story behind the graffiti on the wall, Das says it was done by one of the customers of the restaurant. "I noticed that she was scribbling a regular day at the restaurant. We had been brainstorming on what to do with the empty wall. So, I asked if she would be interested to make something on it and she was happy to do it," she adds.

If you're an old rock fan, don't miss the work of art outside 1522 on Residency Road. The pub's exteriors are filled with graffiti of rock legends like Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix, Bob Dylan, Bob Marley and Pink Floyd. If you observe closely, the graffiti is not just the faces of rock legends, but also has some songs like *Yellow Submarine* by the Beatles and *Blowing in the Wind* by Bob Dylan stitched together. "A graffiti like this makes you stand out in the crowd. For instance, our pub comes close to a turn but the vibrant colours grab people's attention easily," says Nakul Talgeri, one of the partners of the pub.

Pic: Meghana Sastry

The graffiti at Ohana shows artwork of the place's specialities

> *In today's age of social media, graffiti helps a brand with better visibility*
>
> - Anirudh Kheny, partner, SuzyQ

Parul Kanodia, a freelance graphic artist who did the art work for Third Wave Cafe, Koramangala, and for Nasi and Me, breaks down the process involved in doing up a place. The art, she says, can help bring out the theme of the restaurant but shouldn't give out too much. "For instance, for Nasi and Me, we did bring out the whole vibe of Singapore's street food scene. While for Third Wave, we stuck to abstract art, since they don't belong to any particular cuisine," says the 31-year-old artist.

SuzyQ at Queens Road, which is opening in the first week of April, will also have an art work. "Apart from graffiti becoming a conversational point, in today's day and age of Instagram and digital media, it also helps a brand with better visibility and brand recall becomes easy," says Anirudh Kheny, partner at the restaurant. He adds that the graffiti will represent free spirit and strength, with metaphors using the imagery of tigresses and jaguars.

NUGGETS

New matcha green tea blends launched

Vahdam India has rolled out two new flavours of its matcha blends that are low in calorie, keto friendly and vegan. The new launches include Cocoa Japanese Matcha Green Tea (₹699 for 50gm) and Ashwagandha Japanese Matcha Green Tea (₹699 for 50gm). The teas are available online at www.vahdamteas.in. Sourced from Shizuoka, Japan, Vahdam India's pure matcha is blended with Indian superfoods. It has no preservatives, artificial flavours or colours.

New cafe comes to town

Araku Coffee, a luxury coffee brand from the Eastern Ghats of India, launched their café in Indiranagar on March 19. It features a Modbar, which aims to break the barrier between baristas and customers. The two-storeyed café has a barista bar, café, coffee retail and a book store.

Special Holi menu introduced

Meatigo has launched a new Holi menu to help you bring in the festival with fun, family and food. The options include Aromatic Achari Prawns, Afgani Chicken Malai Tikka, Lush Hariyali Chicken Tikka and Old School Chicken Tikka. The menu comes at a starting price of ₹355 and is available on meatigo.com.

Meet Srivatsan Sriram, a 25-year-old baker, who is busy whipping up a storm of Easter eggs and other themed specialities

In pursuit of eggs-cellence

SANATH PRASAD

Each artist uses a different tool of choice. For some it's a paintbrush, whereas others may prefer their bare hands. But all Srivatsan Sriram needs is a whisk and some ingredients to bake a cake. This biotechnology graduate from Bengaluru University has now carved a niche for himself by baking realistic theme-based cakes, where he sculpts superheroes, cartoon characters, animals, jewellery and a host of other things related to festivals, entertainment and more. Calling his venture Sri's Cake Lab, Sriram is now occupied with baking Easter eggs, ahead of the festival on April 4.

"Preparing Easter eggs is a long three-day process. Since it is made of marzipan (cashew nut and almond paste) it takes at least a-day-and-a-half to dry. These Easter eggs are hollow and filled with a range of surprising gifts like chocolates, stationery items, jellies and key chains." The food entrepreneur relies on various tools to make his creations. These include OHP sheets, emulsion blenders, lace, colours, brushes for painting, gold lustre and bling, which are used extensively to add intricate details to the desserts.

According to Sriram, the three things used to make a theme-based cake are marzipan, fondant and modelling chocolate. "I do not use any machines or advanced technology to bake the cake. From sculpting the cake to adding minute details to it, I do it with my own hands. I handle the coating, designing, photography, social media content and also customer deliveries all by myself," says the 25-year-old.

So far he has more than 200 customers in Bengaluru and Chennai and has delivered cakes like anti-gravity cake, or variants themed around camping, forests, film reels, and a wristwatch, among others. Not just Easter, Sriram has also given his customers something to indulge in for other occasions like Krishna Janmashtami, Deepavali and Christmas. His Instagram page (@sriscakelab) has images of the cakes he has made since January 2020.

"Although I am qualified in biotechnology, I want to pursue baking, which is my passion. My plan is to start working on sugar-free cakes to cater to diabetic customers," he says, adding, "After every order, I set aside a percentage of my earnings as God's offering. I have been following that since I started."

Pic: Meghana Sastry

> *From sculpting the cake to adding details to it, I do it all with my hands.*
>
> - Srivatsan Sriram, baker

THANDAI SHAHI TUKRA

INGREDIENTS

For the rabri

- Milk - 1 ltr
- Sugar - 25 gm
- Cardamom powder - 5 gm
- Saffron milk - 30 ml

For the sugar syrup

- Sugar - 25 gm
- Water - 25 ml
- Saffron thread - for colour

For serving

- White bread - 4
- Ghee - 40 gm
- Nuts (cashews, almond and pistachio)

METHOD

- Cut sides of bread and make desired shape.
- Fry bread in hot ghee till it becomes golden brown.
- Dip fried bread into sugar syrup.
- Make rabri by adding all ingredients and reduce it for 30mins or till the required consistency is achieved.
- Pour rabri on breads. ■ Garnish using dried nuts.

- Altamsh Patel, executive chef, Oakwood Premier Prestige Bangalore

Festive feast

Calories don't count during a festival. Celebrate the festival of colours with sugary goodness and classic Holi specialties

BESAN HALWA MOUSSE WITH COCONUT PANCAKE

INGREDIENTS

For besan halwa

- Besan - 50 gm ■ Ghee - 50 gm
- Milk - 500 ml ■ Sugar - 200 gm
- Green cardamom powder - 1/4 tsp
- Double cream - 30 ml

For coconut pancake

- Coconut milk - 500 ml
- Coconut milk powder - 30 gm
- Sugar - 30 gm
- Maida - 50 gm
- Baking powder - 1 tsp

METHOD

- **For besan halwa:** Cook besan with ghee and add milk, sugar and green cardamom. Add whipped cream and whip well to convert it into light mousse.
- **For coconut pancake:** Mix maida with coconut milk, sugar, coconut milk powder, baking powder and let it ferment for one hour. Pour on a heated non-stick skillet and cook on both the sides.
- Serve together and enjoy.

- Nishant Choubey, consulting chef, Street Storyss

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Sudeep

SUDEEP-STARRER *KOTIGOBBA 3* HEADS TO TOLLYWOOD

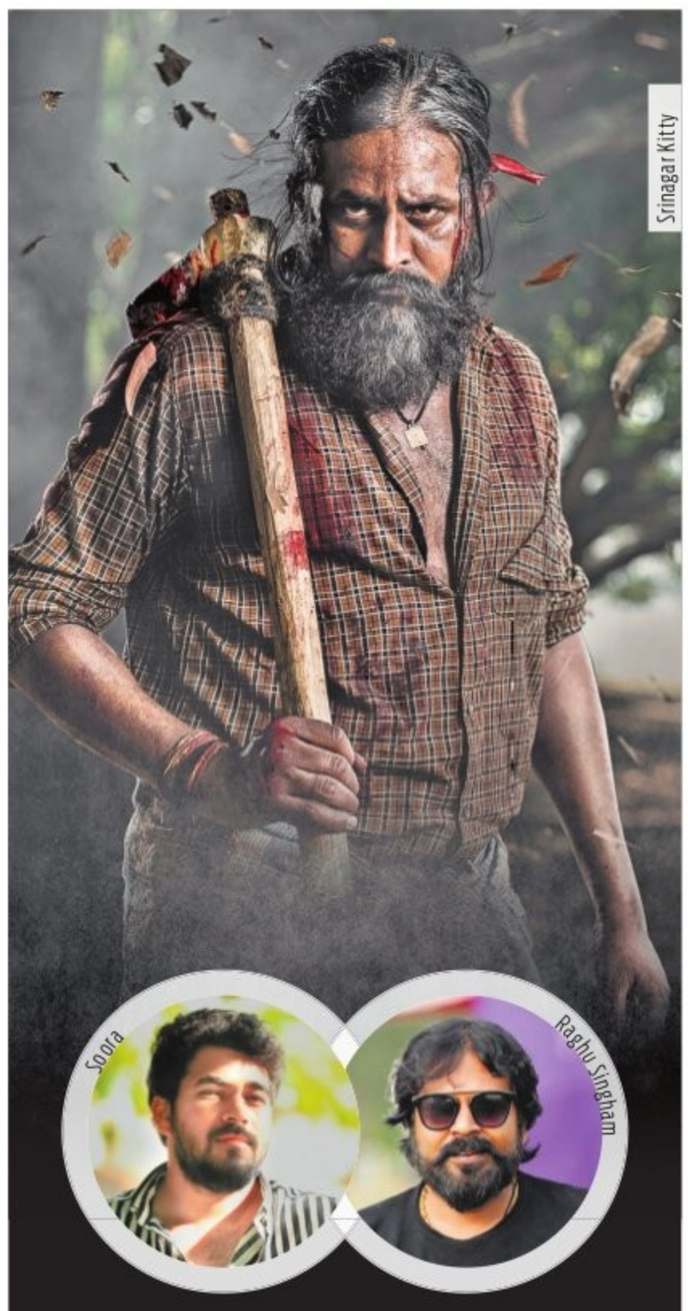
The Kannada film will see a simultaneous release in Telugu with the title *K3-Kotikokkadu*

CE FEATURES

THE Kichcha Sudeep-starrer film, *Kotigobba 3,* will be the latest Kannada film to head to Tollywood. The much-anticipated commercial entertainer, bankrolled by Surappa Babu, marks the directorial debut of Shiva Karthik. It has already created a pre-release buzz with its songs and trailers. The Telugu dubbing rights of the movie are said to have been acquired by Good Cinema Group and producer Devendra DK at a high price, and they will also be taking care of the overseas market.

Presented by Spandana Pasam and Swethan Reddy, *Kotigobba 3* will be released in Telugu with the title *K3 - Kotiokokkadu*. The makers will have Shreyas Media promoting the film across India and abroad. Sudeep is a known face in Tollywood, having earlier done *Raktha Charitra* 1& 2 directed by Ram Gopal Varma and SS Rajamouli's directorial *Eega*. The actor was also part of *Baahubali – The Beginning* and the Chiranjeevi-starrer *Sye Raa Narasimha Reddy*. His previous Kannada film, *Pailwaan*, was also dubbed and released in Telugu. Meanwhile, a mega pre-release event for the audio launch has been planned in Chitradurga ahead of the release on April 29.

Kotigobba 3, which has a story penned by Sudeep, features Madonna Sebastian as the female lead, along with Shraddha Das, Aftab Shivadasaani, Ravi Shankar and others in the cast. Arjun Janya has composed the music and Shekhar Chandru has handled the camerawork. The film has Ashika Ranganath making a guest appearance in a special song.


Srinagar Kitty

GAWLI'S first-look poster out: Srinagar Kitty to headline Soora's directorial debut

CE FEATURES

Srinagar Kitty, who is known for playing diverse characters, has bagged the lead role in an upcoming commercial entertainer titled, *Gawli*. The film is directed by Soora, a debutant, who has earlier assisted several renowned filmmakers in the film industry.

The team has officially announced the film with the first-look poster, which features Kitty in a bloody and menacing look. The debutant director's commercial entertainer is currently in the pre-production phase, and he is in the process of finalising the rest of the cast and crew members. The film is expected to hit the floors in two months.

Gawli is produced by Raghu Singham under his production banner Sohan Film Factory. Popular playback singer Shashank Seshagiri is composing the music for the film, while Prajwal Gowda, who has assisted *KGF* cinematographer Bhuvan Gowda, will be cranking the camera.

Srinagar Kitty recently wrapped up the shoot of *Avatar Purusha,* which is directed by Suni. The actor will also be seen in Khadhar Kumar's *Veeram,* where he plays the role of an antagonist.

A badly-written, confusing social drama

RANAM
Cast: Chetan Kumar, Chiranjeevi Sarja, Varalakshmi Sarathkumar, and Sadhu Kokila
Director: V Samudra
Producer : Kanakapura Srinivas

A SHARADHAA

The essence of *Ranam* is simple. It seeks to highlight the plight of farmers and their struggle against injustice. But the way it is executed leaves the viewer confused and tired.

While the director has chosen a nationally relevant topic, it only comes across for the first few minutes. This idea sadly has little to do with the main story, which keeps getting subplots. All the elements in the script like action, romance and double entendre comedy, feels forced and unnecessary.

Ranam features Chetan Kumar as a revolutionary hero, late Chiranjeevi Sarja as an encounter specialist and Varalaxmi Sarathkumar as a police officer. Four college students take on a corrupt minister, who is hellbent on grabbing an agricultural land. Though the youngsters set out to do good, end up doing things they shouldn't, accompanied by the leads. Their long and convoluted journey to victory forms the rest of *Ranam*.

It is definitely a story worth exploring but the V Samudra film lacks the finesse in execution. The abrupt ending and the absence of an interesting narrative leave the audience feeling indifferent instead of being intrigued.

RATING 2/5

Chetan Kumar, who is an activist in real life, merges with the role that is in line with his beliefs and principles. This is established in a few sequences and the dialogues he delivers feel natural. But it adds nothing to the film.

Both Chiranjeevi Sarja and Varalaxmi Sarathkumar give earnest performances, but, the director fails to utilise their potential. *Ranam* is a relevant story that deserves a much better telling. However, its faults and failures are likely to remain more in our memory.

Bhavya Gowda

Bhavya Gowda to make her silver screen debut with *Dear Kanmani*

CE FEATURES

The latest actor to join the cast of *Dear Kanmani* is Bhavya Gowda, who is now joining the bandwagon of television artistes making a transition to the silver screen. The actor, who has become a household name with the tele-serial, *Geetha*, will be a part of Vismaya's directorial debut. Apart from helming the project, Vismaya Gowda is also bankrolling the movie under the banner of Vismaya Films.

The story delves into a love triangle, and Bhavya Gowda will share the screen space with Kishan Bilagali, Saathvika and cricketer-turned-actor Praveen. The debutant in Sandalwood says she had been getting offers from various directors and filmmakers, but chose to wait for a unique role, which has come to her through *Dear Kanmani*.

"I am glad to be working under the direction of a woman director, Vismaya Gowda, and it is going to be a new experience for me," she says. Bhavya Gowda, who will be juggling her work in television and films, is said to be undergoing a make-over for her character on the big screen. "You will get to see me in a modern outlook, completely in contrast from how I'm featured in the serial," she reveals.

Sanya Malhotra brightens up this tragicomedy

PAGGLAIT
Cast: Sanya Malhotra, Shruti Sharma, Sayani Gupta, Ashutosh Rana, Rajesh Tailang
Director: Umesh Bist
Streaming on: Netflix

SHILAJIT MITRA

After her husband passes, a young woman finds herself inexplicably out of grief. You can imagine any number of comic scenarios springing from that line. There is, however, one hitch. In a country where loss is sanctified, where death is holy, the jokes can only stretch so far. Even the bravest of films must tiptoe around the topic, or risk brickbats.

Umesh Bist's *Pagglait* begins with a grieving family in Lucknow before homing in on its central character. Sandhya (Sanya Malhotra) was only married for five months when her husband, Astik, suddenly died. While her in-laws mourn, we see a bored Sandhya in bed, sleepily thumbing through copy-paste condolence messages on Facebook. She doesn't shed a tear when her parents arrive for the 13-day wake. "You can't stay here," she tells them. "The toilet's Indian."

It's clear from the start that Sandhya is unable to share in the gloom. The film is about her realising why.

Like Ram Prasad Ki Tehrvi, Pagglait observes a large middle-class family in the aftermath of a death. Ashutosh Rana is wonderfully brittle as Sandhya's father-in-law, and there are strong spots for Sheeba Chaddha, Raghubir Yadav, Chetan Sharma and Jameel Khan. The focus, though, always remains on Sandhya. She snaps at her mother for raising her meek and hesitant — "*Kuch kami hai hum mein* (is something wrong with me)?" she asks in one scene. That her self-confidence is in tatters is made plain with the advances of a suitor. Sandhya, far from shrinking away, feels flattered almost, a feeling she likely never experienced before.

RATING 3/5

The most resonant arc, likewise, involves an outsider. Sandhya comes across a picture inside Astik's drawer. The woman, Akansha (Sayani Gupta), turns up at the funeral. She reveals to Sandhya that they had dated for long, but stopped after his marriage. Sandhya is initially keen on details, which pains Akansha to share. But as they meet again and become friends, the film settles into an uplifting mood.

Pagglait is littered with the small inconveniences and jealousies that crop up during a funeral. There are some funny details here: the calling bell that blares an inappropriate tune, a hunt for toothpaste, or a packet of chips. Umesh shows a great economy of words and visuals. Astik, for one, is kept hidden from view — a detail reminiscent of Yasujir Ozu's *Late Spring*, where we never see the man *Setsuko Hara* is meant to marry.

Elsewhere, though, the dramatic high points are underlined with a song, which tends to soften the blow. *Dil Udd Jaa Re and Thode Kam Ajnabee* are smartly deployed from Arijit Singh's expansive soundtrack. The rest don't mesh as well, especially in a film that could go on just fine.

Another problem, if we are being picky, is the pat emotion scheme Umesh settles for in the end. It's too clean and predictable, even if Sanya — one of the most understated mainstream actors around — gives it her best. She's brilliant in an earlier scene, where Sandhya, leaning in a chair, offers to edit Astik's obituary. She replaces 'heavy' with 'profound'; 'death' with 'demise'; 'respected' with 'beloved'. It shows how versed we are in the language of grief, and how far from its meaning.